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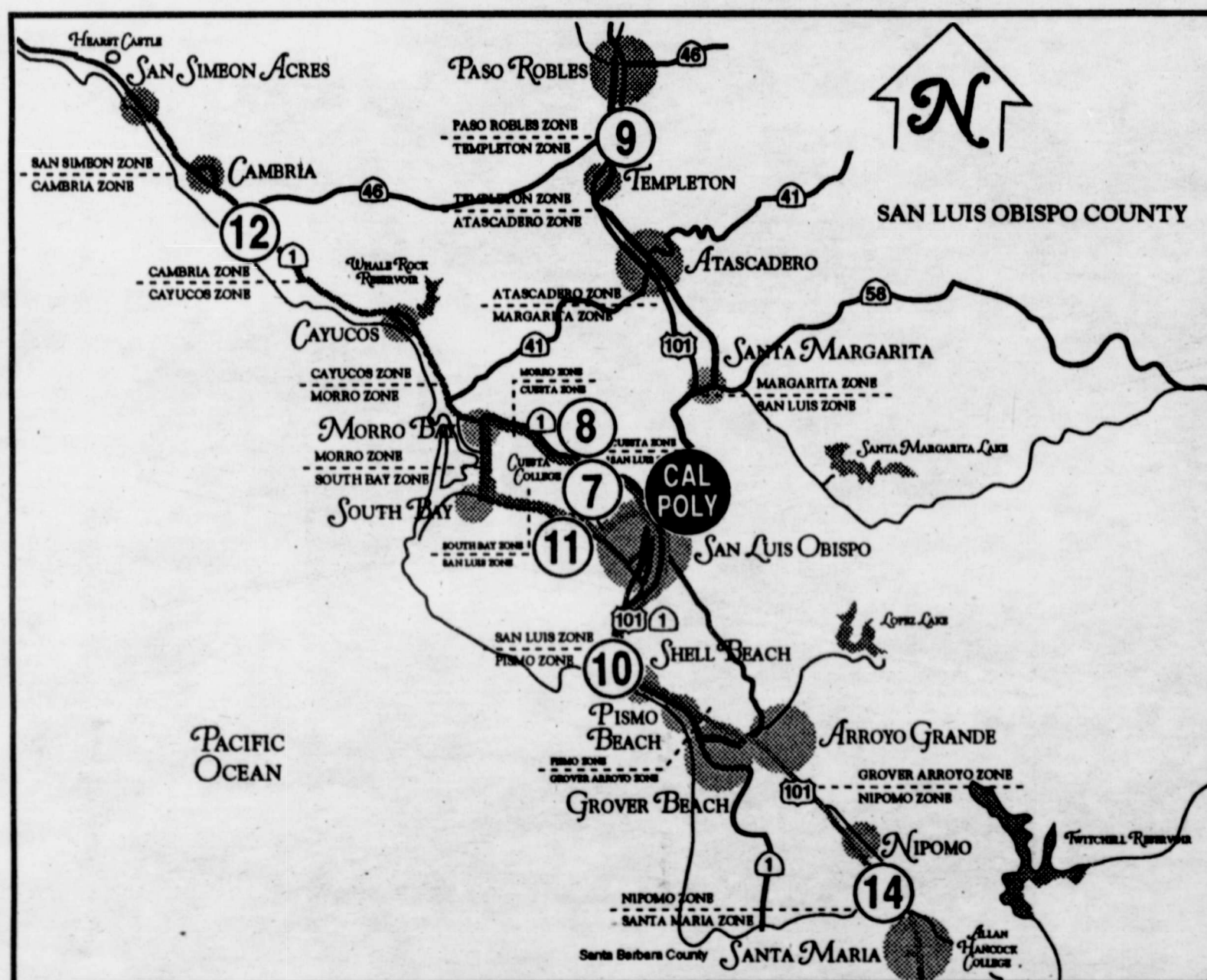


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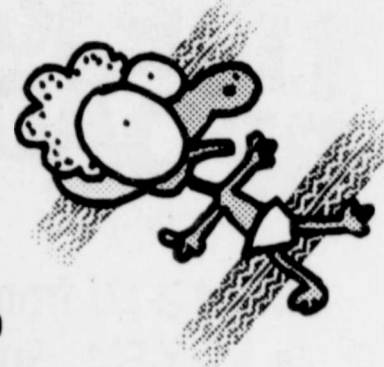
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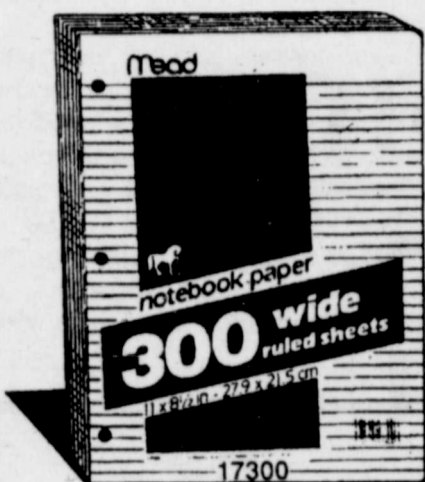
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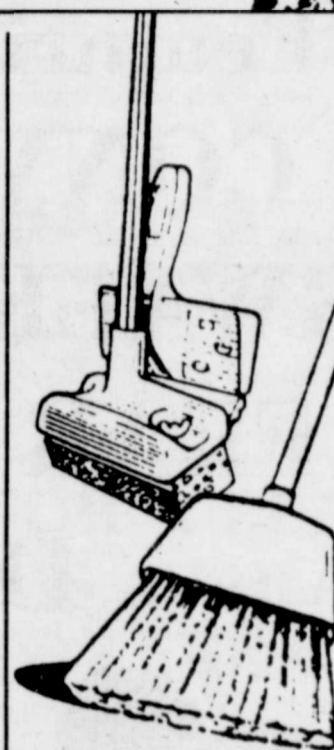
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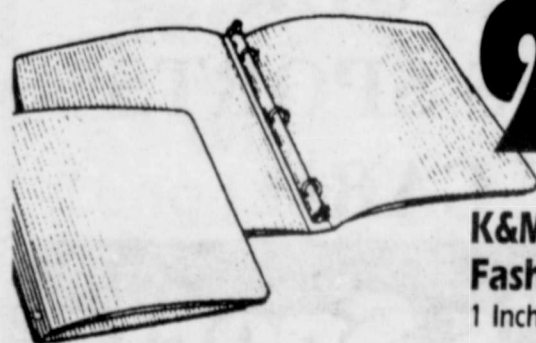
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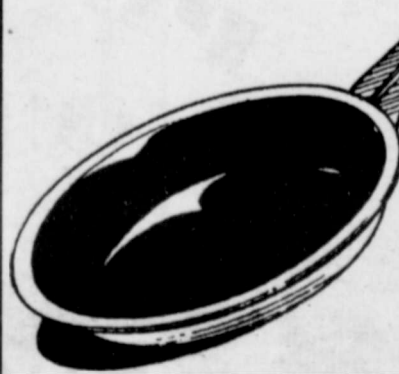
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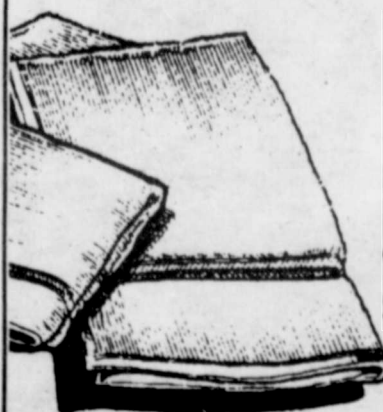
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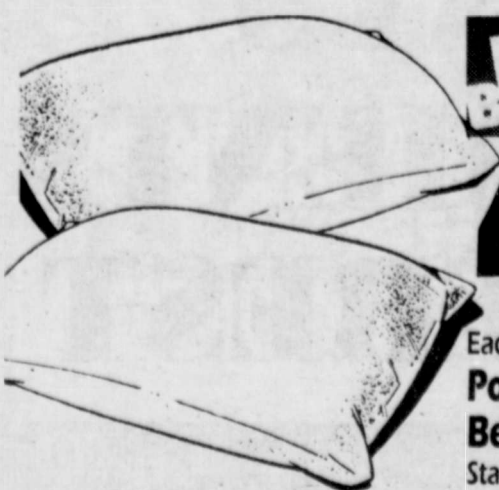
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A WOW group gathers downtown for a group shot during last year's SLOBound excursion / Photo courtesy of the WOW Board

## SLOBound introduces students to downtown

By Ryder M. Boery  
Daily Staff Writer

Downtown San Luis Obispo will be saying "Wow!" Sept. 12 as approximately 4,200 WOW participants roam the streets.

SLOBound, a day of getting to know downtown San Luis Obispo, is one of this year's scheduled events for Cal Poly's annual Week of Welcome (WOW).

WOW is a program planned and operated by students. It is designed to aid freshmen, re-entry and transfer students, dubbed "wowies" in the emotional, social and academic transition of coming to Cal Poly.

WOW offers students a fun, comfortable atmosphere in which to acclimate themselves to Cal Poly and local surroundings the

week before classes begin.

"We offer SLOBound to get the students familiar with their surroundings," said Missi Bullock, a human development senior and co-chair of the SLOBound committee.

"We want (the students) to know all of the resources available to them," Bullock said.

"I enjoyed (WOW) because I learned a lot about downtown," said journalism sophomore D.G. Meremeyer.

This year's SLOBound has a Polynesian theme, based on Gilligan's Island, the television comedy. Each planned location will portray scenes from the show.

Although the committee is still making final plans for the adventure, there are four main

See SLOBound page 23

## Cal Poly Plan to guide university

### Student, faculty and staff input encouraged

By Jason D. Plemons  
Daily Editor

Change is a scary thing for many people, and planning for the future can be a task that gives even those with iron stomachs butterflies.

### News Analysis

We all face change and attempt to plan for the future the best way possible. Some of us come up with plans with a little help from parents. Others formulate a timeline on their own and try to reach goals at set times. But individuals are not the only ones who must plan for the future.

Enterprises from corporations to small businesses of every kind must develop some way to deal with an ever-changing world filled with pressures that will crush their livelihood in an instant. Customers change their taste with every new fad and businesses must be able to adapt to keep their profit margins.

Every institution periodically formulates a plan that sets goals for the future, and Cal Poly is no exception.

In the April 18 edition of Outlook, an occasional publication of the Cal Poly administration, President Warren Baker wrote an article which set the wheels in motion for the development of the Cal Poly Plan.

Baker wrote that the plan would "place Cal Poly in the forefront of public higher educa-

tion in developing strategies for increased growth and improved quality, productivity and accountability."

Baker emphasized that the plan is only a "framework" and is designed to "determine whether it might be feasible to develop a plan for this campus."

By early fall quarter, Baker said he will offer venues for wide-ranging discussions among all constituents at Cal Poly.

"Advice from faculty, staff and student groups will be sought to help us set up these discussions," Baker wrote.

Specific goals of the plan will include increased availability of courses — including summer quarter — more personal attention to student needs, richer library and laboratory resources and expanded access to computer technology.

Baker is planning to aggressively pursue the input of all Cal Poly faculty, students and parents before any decision is finalized, said Daniel Howard-Greene, executive assistant to Baker.

When you dialed up CAPTURE to register for fall classes you were asked to respond to a survey question intended to provide information to Baker that will help determine the areas of greatest concern for students.

According to Howard-Greene, "The intention is that the students and parents surveyed will be used to gauge the various aspects of the Cal Poly Plan."

Cal Poly, like all CSUs and

UCs, escaped the budget ax from the state this year — during the past five years, CSU student fees increased 123 percent — and students were spared another fee increase. But the Cal Poly Plan may come at a cost to students' pocketbooks.

Mustang Daily reported earlier this year that the plan may raise tuition by up to 60 percent over a three year period beginning in 1997.

The "60 percent figure is the absolute worse-case scenario," Howard-Greene said. "It would only result if no additional funding is acquired from the state; it is only a remote possibility."

The two primary sources for funding come from the state budget and student fees. Whatever is not funded by the state will have to be made up other ways, Howard-Greene said.

In an effort to counteract the cost of tuition, "we will seek additional resources to provide financial aid, or perhaps fee waivers for low-income students, such as the UCs and other private colleges do," Howard-Greene said.

The Cal Poly staff is also involved with the plan and has set up a steering committee of their own to provide input to the administration.

The key to the plan being useful is the input from students and whether the administration listens to the feedback provided.

But the administration won't have enough feedback to provide useful information unless stu-

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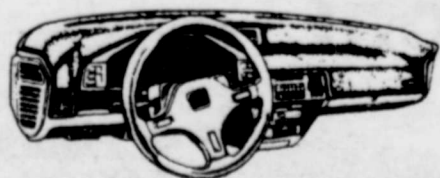
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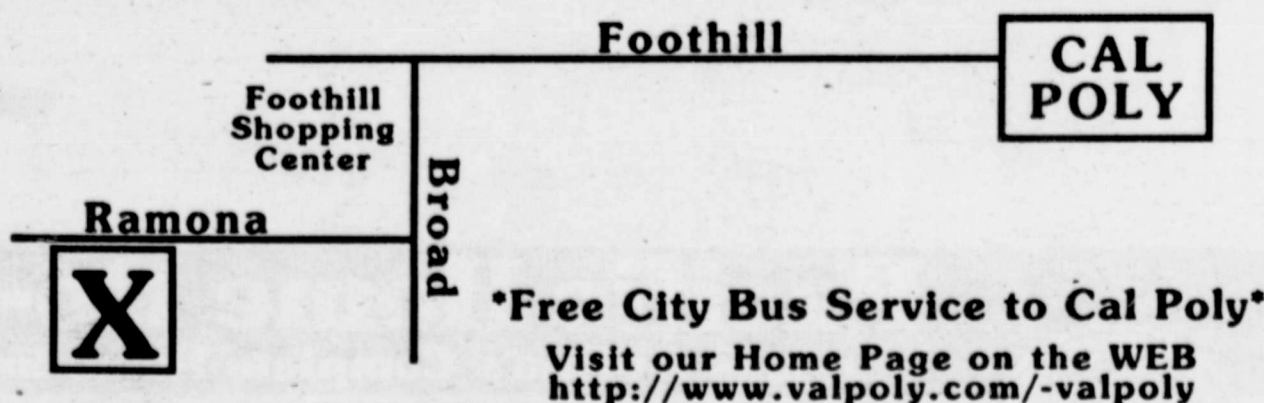
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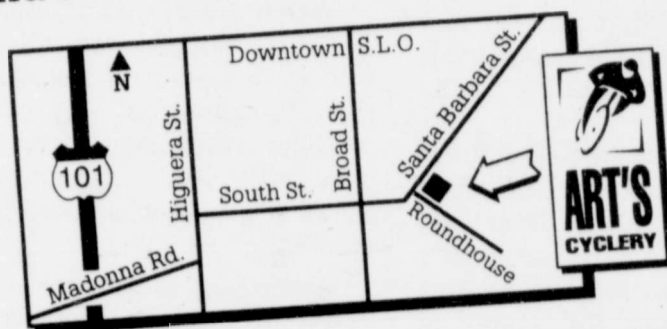




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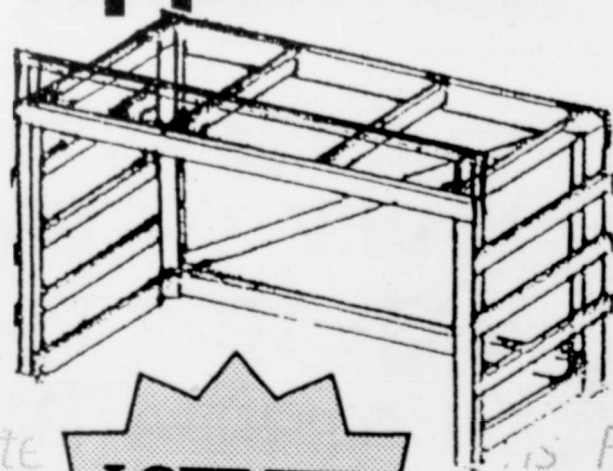


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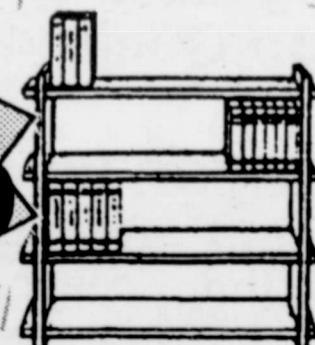


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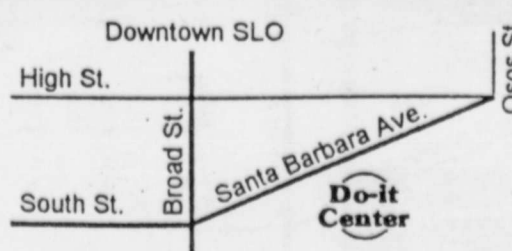


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# Mustangs improved for 2nd season in Div. I

By Steve Chesterman  
Daily Staff Writer

Adding more fuel to the fire for some teams and fireworks to those that fizzled last year is the goal as Cal Poly athletics surges toward its sophomore season in Division I competition.

One of the brightest spots again this year is likely to be the Mustang football program. As last year's American West Conference champions, Cal Poly has 15 returning starters from the squad that finished 7-4 overall and 3-0 in conference in 1994.

Head Coach Andre Patterson knows his team can't be content with last year's glory and is aiming to keep on track for a second consecutive conference crown.

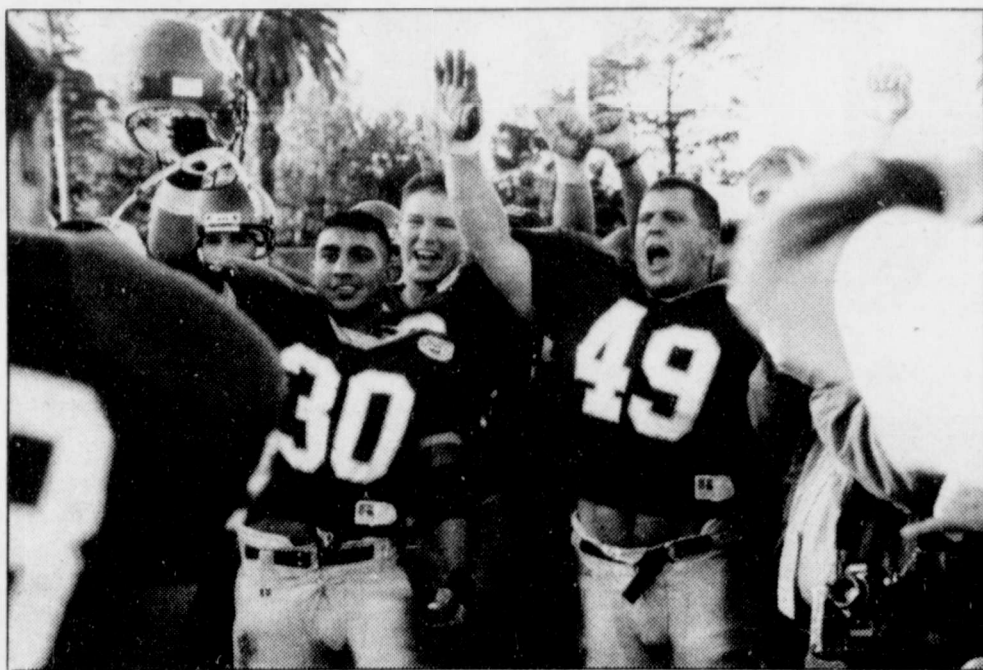
"I think our schedule has helped to keep our team focused," he said. "With the teams we're going to play this year, there's no time for them to be complacent."

Beating those teams rests on the arm of senior quarterback Mike Fisher. Named the AWC Offensive Player of the Year last season, he has already smashed eight school records, including 2,536 career passing yards.

Patterson added that the leadership of the 40 returning lettermen creates high hopes and expectations for the green and gold.

"I think our experience (from last year) is going to help us," he said confidently. "We're so far ahead of where we were a year ago that our expectations are much greater than they were last year."

Like football an abundance of



The 1994 Mustang football squad celebrated a conference championship in its first year in Div. I. The team hopes to repeat this year / Daily file photo

expectation and enthusiasm will be pouring out all over the court as it's out with the old and in with the new for both the men's and women's basketball programs.

Men's Head Coach Jeff Schneider is at the helm this season, trying to guide a fresh bunch of faces away from the 1-26 shipwreck of a year ago.

After last year's demoralizing Division I debut, assistant coach Kevin Bromley said the challenge will be to get the eight new players and four returning members into a winning attitude.

"From a basketball standpoint, it's getting 12 young men to believe that they can win," he said. "The kids we have coming in are used to winning, so I think our job will be easier than if we had everyone coming back from last year's team, and

trying to turn around their mental attitude into believing that they can win at the Division I level."

"Outside of basketball," he expanded, "the challenge is getting the administration, the student body, the athletic department as a whole, booster club members, and the average Joe off the street thinking that Cal Poly is now NCAA Division I and big-time basketball is ready to hit the campus."

A real taste of big time hoops will come to Mott Gymnasium Dec. 23 when North Carolina State, members of the basketball powerhouse Atlantic Coast Conference, pays a visit.

Bromley knows that it won't be easy, and the team may take some lumps, but he is excited at the opportunity to build the program from the ground floor

up.

"You have to go through the tough times as well as the good times," he said. "Everybody likes a winner, and it's easy to jump on the bandwagon but it's a lot different to roll up the sleeves and say 'hey, how can I help you build this thing into a winner so we can all enjoy it?'"

Bromley said forward Damien Levesque, who returns from last year's squad, will be looked upon to lead the team. The 6-foot-7 junior averaged 11.7 points and 5.7 rebounds a game last season and was an All-AWC selection.

Bromley also commented on the changes in playing style that will distinguish this year's team.

"We'll be complicated defensively and exciting to watch overall," he said. "We're going to press for 40 minutes and shoot a lot of (three pointers). I think fans like a fast-paced game and the system we're going to play portrays that."

Change is also the key word for the women's basketball program as two new coaches and five new players join the team.

To be successful, Head Coach Karen Booker feels that her team will need to be prepared mentally.

"We're going to work on our decision-making skills on the court whether it's running the fast break or the half court offense," she said. "We also want to try to cut down on turnovers and increase our shooting percentage. I'm going to stress discipline to the team. Part of decision making is just being disciplined."

According to Booker, the team's biggest challenge will be

to forget about last year's 6-21 mark.

"Helping them get to the point to where they can feel like they can win and be successful tends to be a big challenge with a team like this where they haven't won a lot," she said.

The Mustangs will be led by senior guard Kellie Hoffman, who scored 12.2 points per game last season, and sophomore Christina Carillo, who contributed seven points a contest in 1994-95.

"We're all excited and ready to get out there," Booker said. "I think overall with the whole team, they're going to work hard and be enthusiastic and want to learn. It'll be fun coaching them."

Aside from the excitement of this year's football and basketball teams, Athletic Media Relations Director Eric McDowell expects good things from other high-powered programs as well.

"Some teams to watch for will be softball and men's and women's soccer," he said. "We'd love to see them in the NCAA tournament and we've got a shot. We are very proud of what the teams have done so far."

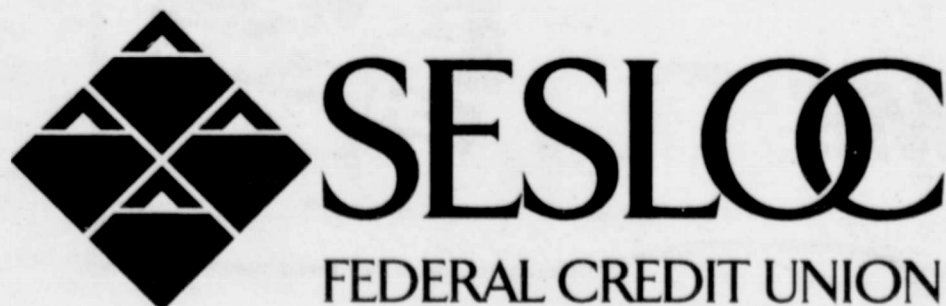
McDowell added that both basketball teams will be improved with the addition of some new Division I talent this year and that the football team has a very realistic chance for an NCAA playoff bid if it notches eight or nine wins.

Overall, the athletic department has made giant strides towards becoming a legitimate Division I contender on all levels.

Despite being proud of that fact, Athletic Director John See **ATHLETICS** page 43

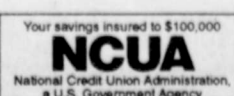
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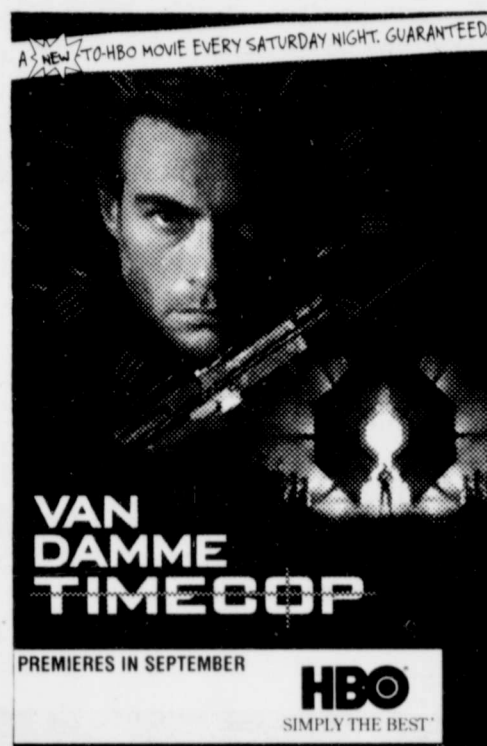
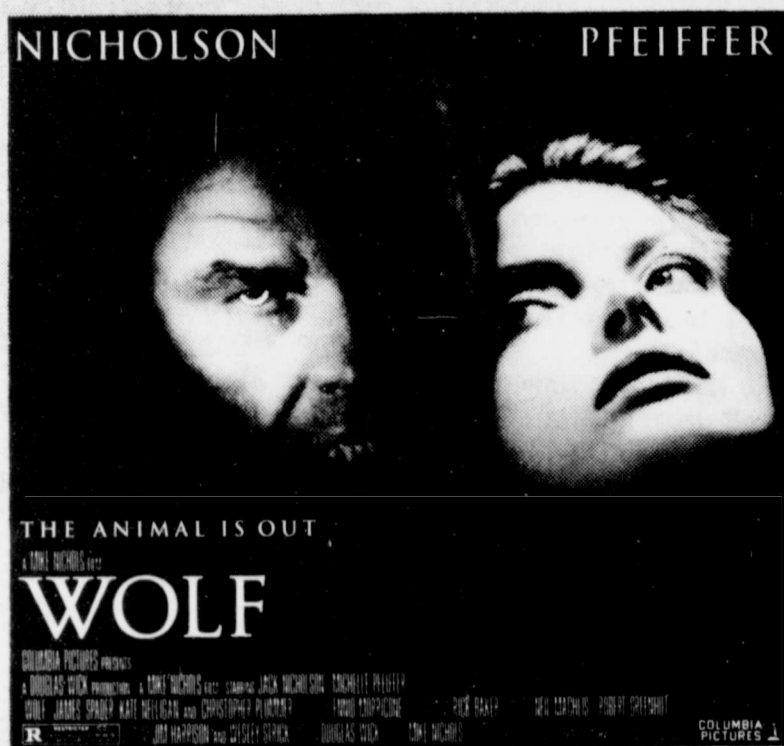
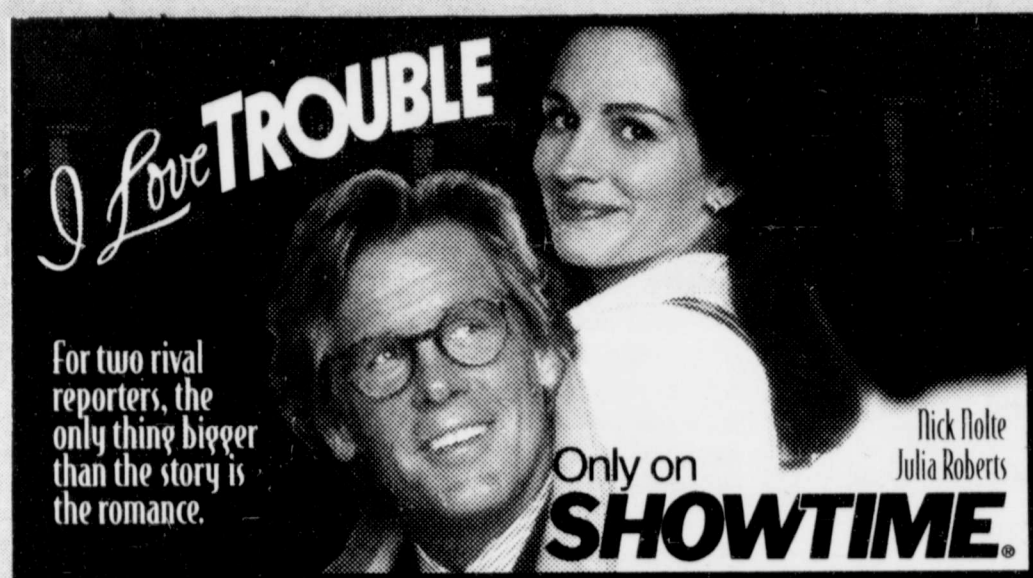
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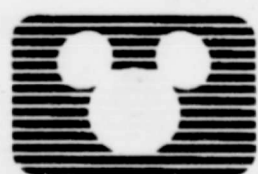
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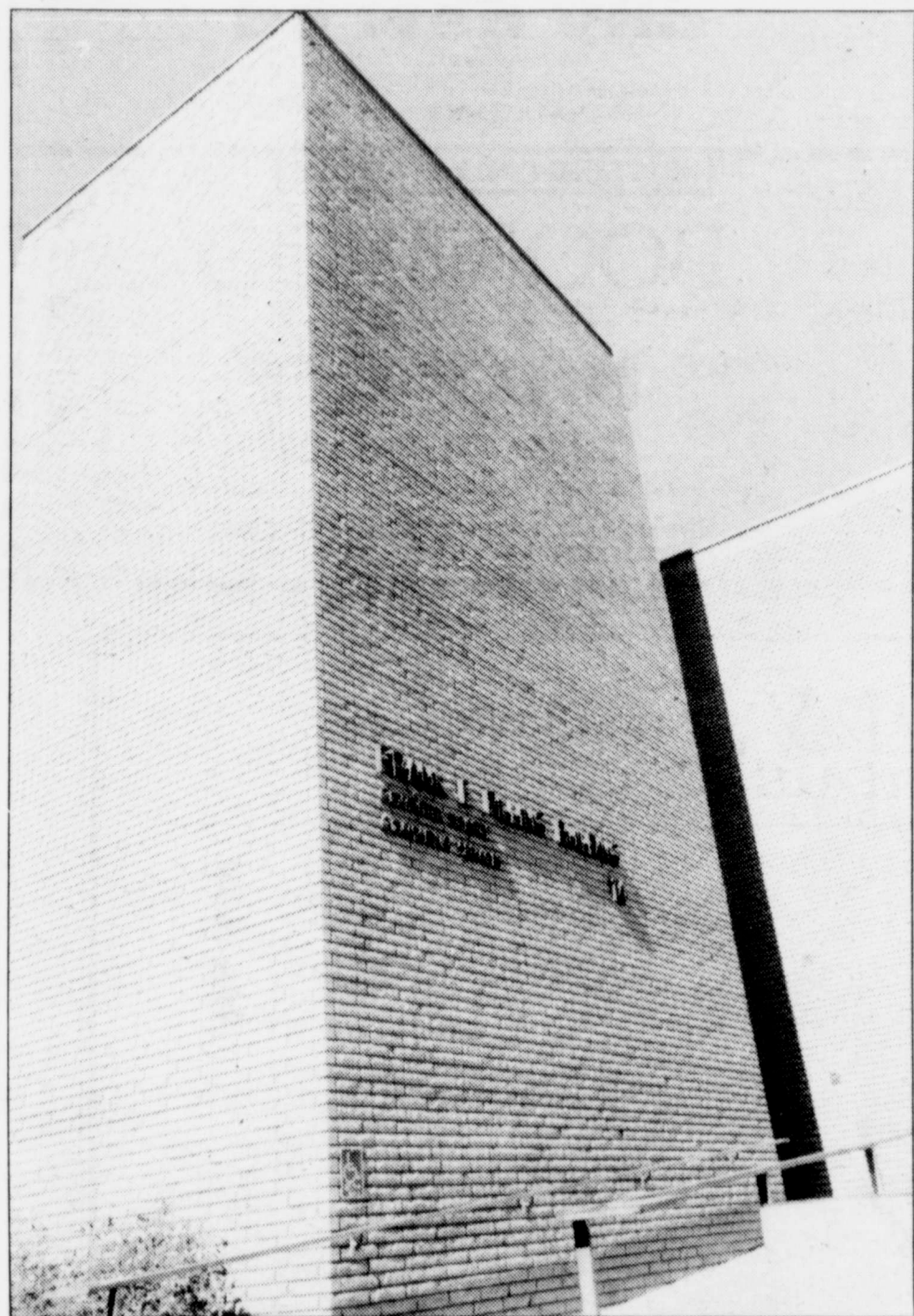
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## Campus architecture a potpurri

### Design styles changed through the decades



The Frank E. Pilling Computer Science Building was a campus pioneer with its more daring, less strictly functional design / Photo by Lawrence Rodenborn

By Colleen M. Raley  
Daily Staff Writer

Stone, wood, brick, metal and glass have been combined into a vast array of campus buildings creating unusual architecture exclusive to Cal Poly.

There was a time when architecture's goal was to fit in rather than stick out. This is reflected in the architecture of the first dorms on campus, next to Mustang Stadium. These buildings are characterized by a simplistic, boxy style, void of any unnecessary flair.

Most of Cal Poly's original buildings fall under a similar category. Practicality took precedent over aesthetic pleasure and architecture had not yet embraced risk-taking projects.

These designs continued on until the 60s. At this time Cal Poly's architecture was taken over by state-appointed architects.

Tight budgets and limited artistic freedom fostered the continuance of basic designs. Rex Wolfe, a campus architect with facilities planning, expressed his dislike for these structures.

"They are large massive buildings that are sturdy, but look a lot like prisons," Wolfe said.

The mathematics and home economics building fits this description well, Wolfe said.

Many designs during this time used similar mediums. Concrete proved useful for large buildings, as seen throughout the campus.

Architecture senior Marco

## Poly's new poultry unit bears modernistic style

By Colleen M. Raley  
Daily Staff Writer

Cal Poly's string of construction recently gained another building site that has already cost \$2.2 million.

A new poultry instruction facility is being added to the university's growing list of new additions. It sits outside the core of campus, at the end of Mount Bishop Road.

Its design was headed by design architect John Mac who has tried to combine the appropriateness of poultry housing with modernism that gives the building a distinctive touch.

"When considering a building design, I try to pull from the surrounding areas and fit it into the sight," Mac said.

"When we submitted the design to the Campus Planning Committee, everyone seemed to love it," Mac said. "We didn't have to make very many changes."

"There are plenty of strict guidelines that have to be followed just to get approved by the state and the committee," Mac said. "However, from there on architects pretty much have

free reign."

Mac has orchestrated several upgrade projects and has participated in decisions for the campus' master plan, but this is his first complete building at Cal Poly.

The buildings that make up the unit sit on an angle creating a unique presentation when approaching it. This is a concept Mac uses often in his designs.

There are two glass window towers juxtaposed on each side of the main unit. This allows natural light to fill the buildings lobby.

"I don't know who is going to get up there and clean them, but they look nice," said Bob Spiller, poultry science professor.

The architecture is not exclusive to the exterior. On the inside, Mac has chosen to leave the ventilation system exposed. This is a trend gaining increased popularity in current designs.

The entire project was a collective effort on the parts of the RRM Design Group, Bob Spiller and Ken Scotto, department head of animal science.

Marroquin explains its popularity.

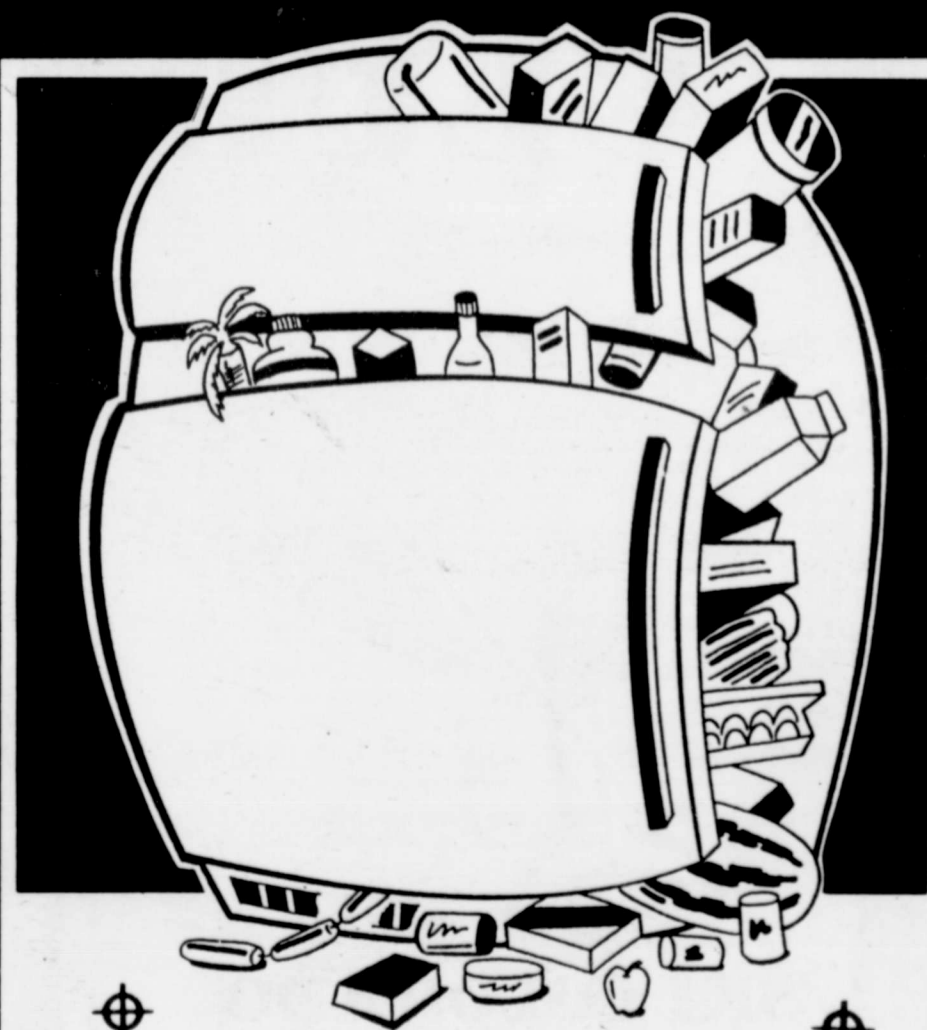
"We were told that this had to do with a lot of protesting and destruction that was taking place during the 70s," Marroquin said. "These buildings would have been much harder to destroy by the radicals."

"There are some good things about these buildings, though," Wolfe said. "A campus like this one needs some background buildings to fill in among newer, busier designs."

State architects were even-

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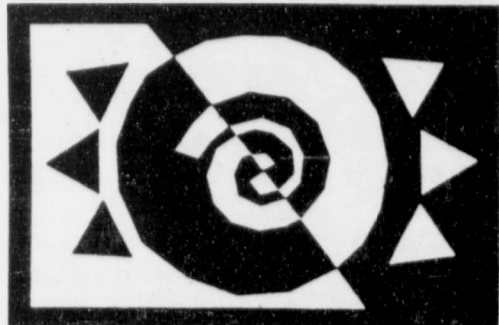


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# Life beyond hitting the books

## There's more to college life than studying



Recreation administration senior Justin Watty puts out Psychology sophomore Rob Sharp in a semifinal Intramural softball game / Daily file photo

By Michael Kaufman  
Daily Staff Writer

A solid education is the first priority for most students, but there is more to college than just hitting the books.

A vast array of extra curricular activities are available at Cal Poly for students who want to do more than study, but many don't know how to find out about them.

According to Kate Olafson, assistant director of Rec Sports, many diversions and fun activities can be found in the Rec Center.

Instructional classes in martial arts, basic tennis, swimming, aerobics and adult wellness programs will be available for students to participate in the upcoming school year.

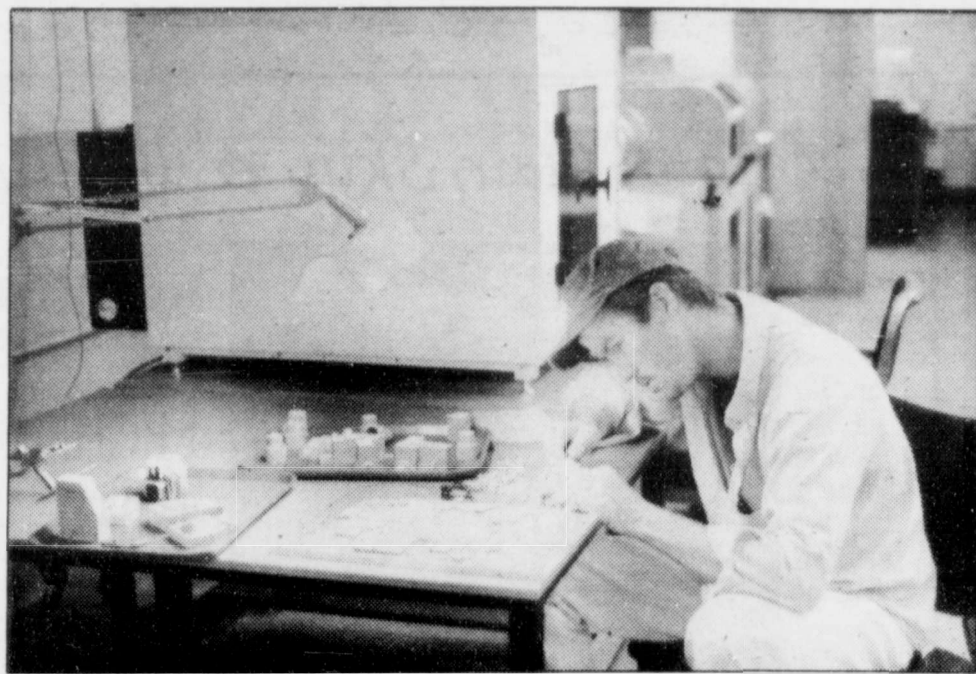
"The adult wellness program has been designed for those who are just beginning to exercise and need an informal environment to start," Olafson said. The program includes power walking and aquatic exercise.

Other classes include yoga, message, shorin ryu karate, tae kwon do and country and western line dancing.

Another option for over-worked students is Intramural sports. Men's, women's and co-rec teams are available in many sports including softball, soccer, flag football, innertube water-polo, and ultimate disc.

Intramural teams play once a week, with tournament play for teams with the best records. For those with a more competitive drive, Cal Poly's sport

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Materials graduate student Matthew Weal excavates a prototype from the high tech rapid prototyping machine to his right / Photo by Lawrence Rodenborn

## Cal Poly distinguishes itself from other CSUs

By Randy Halstead  
Daily Staff Writer

When students come to Cal Poly, they can expect to find a university like no other. From admissions to graduation, Cal Poly stands out from other universities in several important ways.

Students will enjoy advanced facilities, a dynamic social environment, a faculty that excels in all aspects of instruction and an innovative curriculum that will give them an edge when entering the competitive job market.

Cal Poly has a rigorous selection process for admitting students. This is because every educational program at Cal Poly is in high demand, according to Director of Admissions James Maraviglia.

To meet this demand, a stric-

ter admissions criteria was set up by the faculty to take the place of the minimum CSU requirements.

Maraviglia said such high standards ensure that Cal Poly students are of a caliber closer to some UC schools than other CSU colleges.

Cal Poly has experienced a 45 percent increase in applicants since 1993 with this year's applicants totaling 15,467. Of those, only 8,096 were admitted.

All this serves to make Cal Poly's admissions process so competitive that it is the only state university that has to turn down CSU-qualified applicants, Maraviglia said.

So, what makes Cal Poly so attractive to so many people? One definite strength is the school's commitment to hands-on instruction reflected in its motto

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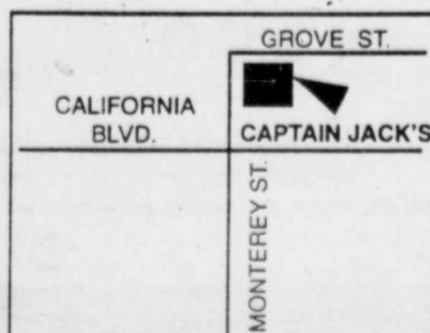
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# Life-style management information available

By Susannah Linwood  
and Derek Aney  
Daily Staff Writers

The people who know about good food, sex, drugs, alcohol and natural highs are all at one place at Cal Poly.

These are the hot topics on the minds of students that are Peer Health Educators (PHE). At some point in their Cal Poly experience, most students make important decisions about their lifestyle, and PHE is there to give advice and appropriate information to help students make informed decisions.

A good talk with a friend, a warm smile from a stranger, and breakfast in bed are just a few of the ideas that the lifestyle wellness team has in mind for the natural highs that will keep students going through tough times at Cal Poly.

"We listen to people's problems and give them the resources and tools they need (to solve them)," said Sophia Leyden a lifestyle-wellness team member for PHE. "At the workshops, students learn the facts, have a good time, meet people and learn that Cal Poly is a diverse campus with lots of outlets for their needs," Leyden said.

For a balanced lifestyle, the team focuses on the areas of physical, emotional, intellectual, social and spiritual well-being of individuals, Leyden said. The group delivers its messages through workshops, one-on-one consultations and informational brochures.

Topics of discussion at the workshops include long distance relationships, roommate rela-



Peer Health Educators Director Rojean Dominguez chats with biology senior Daniel Kostalnick in the peer health office / Photo by Lawrence Rodenborn

tions and time management. The workshops take place in the dorms, in classes and at club events.

Students can sign up for one-on-one evaluation sessions with a PHE counselor at the workshops or the health center, Leyden said.

One-on-one consultations offer advice relative to a student's individual needs, as well as an opportunity to do self evaluations.

The nutrition team offers guidance in the areas of general nutrition, safe and effective weight loss and dietary analysis.

"So many students don't know how to balance their meals, especially when eating on the run," said Skye Colclough, the nutrition team coordinator. "The average new student has never prepared their own meal, or they need information on how to make it balanced."

A computer dietary analysis is

available through PHE to help students plan better meals.

"The program compares the particular student's diet to the recommended daily allowances for age and gender," she said. "The computer dietary analysis records the three day overall calorie consumption with the percentage of carbohydrates, proteins, fats, vitamins and minerals."

The 12-member team is made up of nutrition students who have met certain standards required to be part of the team, she added.

In addition to vegetarianism and sports nutrition, Colclough said preventive nutrition is a newer topic being explored by the group.

"Preventive nutrition deals with learning how to stop something before it happens," she said. "When staying up late at night to study, you're less like-

ly to get sick if you take better care of yourself."

Good nutrition generally doesn't include alcohol, and even though Cal Poly is a dry campus, alcohol is still a part of the college experience for many students.

The alcohol and drugs team was assembled to help students make informed decisions about the use of drugs, and to help provide alternatives for their use.

"We realize that students will use alcohol, but we would prefer them to make tougher choices," said Daniel Kostalnick, who has worked on the team. "We have a message of responsible use."

He also said being a part of PHE was a positive experience.

"I gained a sense of accomplishment by helping people, and I was challenged in a number of ways," he said. "It's definitely a challenge, but it's a very fulfilling experience."

If sex is on your mind, PHE has a group tailored to your needs.

Contraceptives, sexual assault, HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases are the issues most widely discussed by the sexuality team.

Private consultations and workshops are offered to students.

"The nice thing is, is that we're students too," said Shauna Moss, one of the team's coordinators. "We can relate because we're of similar age."

PHE also offers services for women.

"For women, anyone who makes an annual gynecology appointment will have a consulta-

tion with a peer counselor," she said. "We discuss the history of the Pap smear and the pill, because that is the most popular form of birth control."

The four groups that make up PHE are all guided by one woman who holds a master's degree in public health and holds the teams together.

"I love the PHE program because I have the opportunity to work one-on-one with students," said Rojean Dominguez, the director of PHE. "The whole purpose of being here is to serve students and I really feel like I am helping people help themselves."

The goals of PHE are student-oriented, and are designed to give guidance to students faced with tough decisions.

Our mission is to help students develop skills for better lives at Cal Poly," Dominguez said. "Most of the things we deal with are behavior-related, whether it has to do with situations in terms of sexuality, alcohol and drug use, or finding keys for better relationships."

PHE achieves their goals by sending students out into the college community to get involved with their peers. They go through a lengthy period of training and dedicate much of their time to the program.

"Intense training begins in the spring time, and then they leave for summer and get started in fall," Dominguez said. "It also requires a substantial time commitment of at least five hours per week."

The PHE counselors are from varied majors, and anyone is

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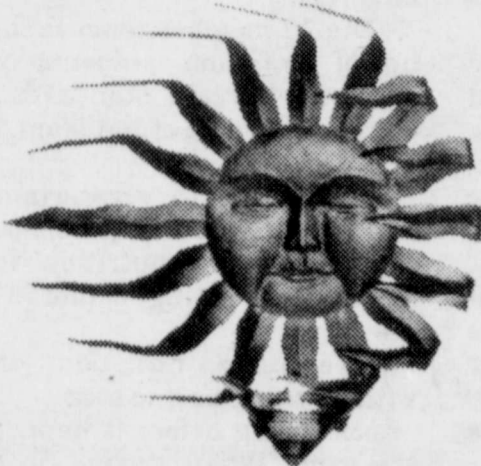
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# The renter beware in SLO housing market

By Cristin Brady  
Daily Staff Writer

For many students, moving out of the residence halls and into their first apartments is an exciting time. But the thrill soon wears off as they discover the hazards awaiting them.

Cooking dinner for the first time is fun; cooking dinner for yourself every night thereafter is not. Throwing your first party is fun; cleaning up after it is not.

Before planning the first party or cooking the first dinner though, one must find the perfect house. This decision should not be a hasty one.

The really good houses are never listed, according to Clay Casey, property manager for Century 21, San Luis Properties.

"The best places are passed from friend to friend," Casey said. "Shop early, houses for next fall begin to be listed in March. Ask friends with nice houses if they are staying another year. I'll rent them one year ahead of time."

Once you find a house, carefully inspect it. Check for cracks in floors or walls, leaking pipes, lack of hot water and defects in electrical wiring. It is a good idea to take photographs of any damage.

Discuss any problems with the landlord, and if the law requires the problems be repaired, find out when they will be made.

According to Rob Bryn, Neighborhood Services Manager for San Luis Obispo, the city is in a better position than other towns, but in some areas there is a lot to do.

"The [housing] standard has

been raised since five years ago through a combination of education, cooperation, communication, and enforcement," Bryn said.

During WOW Bryn presents a slide show of some substandard housing; many of the slides depict such alarming conditions that it is hard to believe people agree to live there.

"Obviously we want people in safe housing," Bryn said. "Our goal is to make neighborhoods safer from a housing standpoint, to increase communication and decrease intervention."

Complaints about substandard housing come from neighbors, friends of tenants, former tenants and neighborhood groups.

Some problem areas that renters should be aware of are conversions, heating, maintenance, exposed wiring, overcrowding, exiting and parking.

Attics and garages converted to living spaces often do not meet safety codes. Ceilings must be at least seven and one-half feet high, and there must be adequate ventilation.

Rooms must be able to maintain a temperature of 70 degrees, without using portable heaters. Water heaters can never be located in bedrooms or bathrooms for safety reasons.

In most cases, only five people are allowed to occupy a residence, and there must be sufficient parking.

Some regulations like no

parking on lawns may seem unreasonable, but as Bryn explained, these regulations are in place for the benefit of the tenants. Parking on lawns is prohibited because sewer lines run close to the ground's surface. Excessive pressure on the lines could cause them to break or stop up.

The most crucial part of your rental relationship is the time you move in, according to Frank Yost, owner of Yost Management.

"Do an accurate walk through," Yost said. "In writing, give a good description of the property and condition at the time. The tenant has a week to return the form so they are satisfied."

One of the areas many stu-

dents have difficulties with is security deposits. The law allows owners to charge a security deposit, but limits the amount a landlord can charge.

The total amount charged can't be more than two months' rent for an unfurnished rental or three months' rent for a furnished unit, according to state law.

A landlord may use your security deposit for four purposes only: cleaning the rental if the unit was not as clean as when it was rented, repairs other than normal wear and tear, unpaid rent and, if the agreement allows, the cost of restoring furniture, exclusive of ordinary wear and tear.

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If you feel that part of your deposit has been kept improperly, you should tell the landlord why you believe it is improper for them to keep part or all of your deposit. Put the request in writing and send it by certified mail says the "California Tenants" booklet put out the State Department of Consumer Affairs.

Tenants can also use the Conflict Resolution Program of the Central Coast to help resolve disputes. The service is a nonprofit community mediation service provided by the San Luis Obispo Legal Alternatives Corp.

It is designed to help people resolve conflicts through mediation. The mediators are trained volunteers who try to help people work out their own solutions.

## Dorm life — one student's story

By Michael Kaufman  
Daily Staff Writer

Meeting that lifelong friend you will share everything with and saying goodbye to Mom and Dad's curfews are just a few of the enticements for incoming freshmen moving into college dormitories.

These dreams come true for many, but for others there will be times that drive them to a pay phone late at night to explain to their parents that they want to come back home.

Biology junior Reyna Amador admits that she was excited about moving into her new living environment, but realized that it was harder than

she had imagined when she arrived at Cal Poly's Sierra Madre dorms.

"There were huge lines," she said. "At first there was a long line of cars on Grand Avenue waiting to park, and then all the students and their parents lined up outside their dorms to get their keys to move in."

Although five of Amador's friends from home would be living in the dorms with her, she did not know who her roommate would be for her initial year.

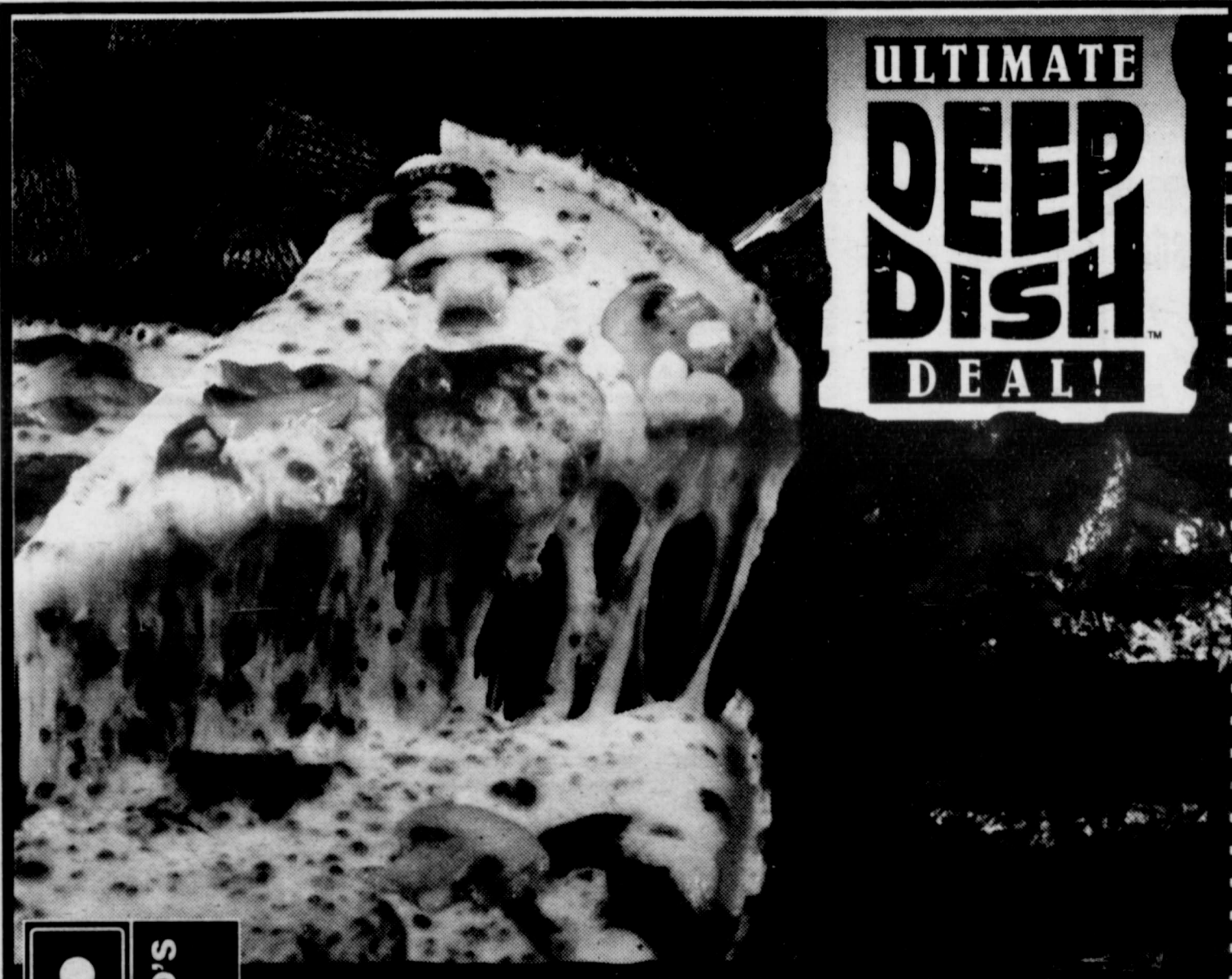
"I remember checking everybody out to see who would be in the same dorm as I was," she said.

When she walked into her

new room on the second floor of her tower she noticed her roommate had already moved in and had taken the bed by the window and the closet space she wanted. Although this was not a crushing development for Amador, she realized that living away from home was not going to be as easy as she thought.

"On the first night, six of (my roommate's) friends came in to help her setup her computer," Amador said. "When I entered the room, one of them was on my bed talking on the phone. I wanted to go to bed, but I didn't know how to tell everyone to leave."

Amador said she was accus-  
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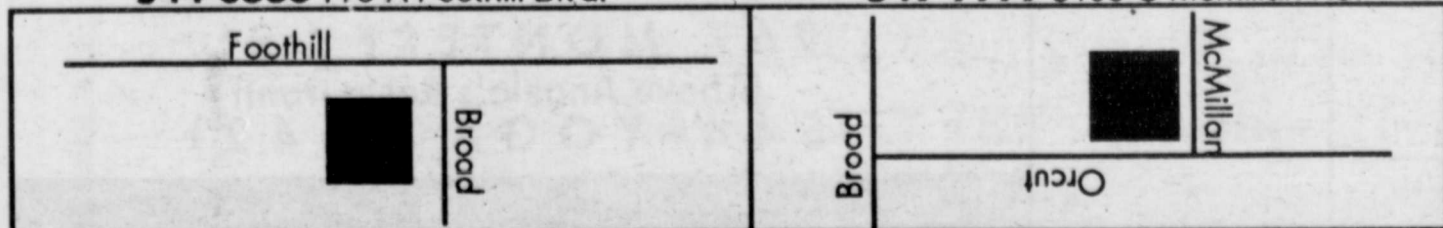
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# SLO nightlife offers up music, atmosphere

By Heather McLaughlin  
Summer Staff Writer

It is back to school and back to the bars as Cal Poly students return from the summer to battle the lines and crowds in downtown San Luis Obispo.

Bar-hopping is a common pastime for Poly students who are of age, and our little town offers a variety of bars to hang out in.

Students can celebrate their return to school at Izzy Ortega's annual "Back-to-School Bash," Sept. 21 through 23 from 9 p.m. until closing.

Izzy's manager, Sharon Kuan, has been planning this event and looks forward to a successful weekend.

"We'll have drink specials, live radio remotes, upside-down Margaritas and just good times," she said.

Door prizes will also be given away but there will be no dancing this year.

After the weekend bash, Izzy's will resume its normal happy hours from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. daily. On Friday, happy hour lasts all night beginning at 4 p.m. Students can enjoy discounted drinks and pass the time shooting pool in the Spanish-style restaurant/bar.

"They really like the dollar drafts," Kuan said.

Returning students should also check out the newly refurbished Osos Street Subs & Pasta.

This place has been rocking on the weekends, attracting students with live music, pool, a new menu, complimentary peanuts, and a new arcade area.

According to manager Mark Furia, the renovation was geared towards the Cal Poly crowd. Osos now offers students something different to do while out on the town.

"There are so many places in town now," Furia said. "We have more to do than just come in and have a beer."

Furia is working on expanding the arcade prizes which now range from t-shirts to glasses adorned with popular beer logos.

Osos also offers weekday specials during their New Castle, Sierra Nevada and Red Nectar nights. Buy a beer and keep the pint glass.

Down the road is the Frog and Peach Pub, one of the newer bars in town, having recently celebrated its one-year anniversary.

The cozy English pub offers a friendly drinking environment that is very popular among the college crowd.

Live music pours out of Frog and Peach every Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. The entertainment ranges from jazz to rhythm and blues to acoustic rock. Every other Wednesday, you can come sip beer or wine to Celtic music from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

One of the pub's more popular drinks is their refreshing peach cider. Guinness is also a favorite.

Customers hang out along the

bar, in the parlor booths, or out on the patio. The patio opened two months ago and will remain open until temperatures drop.

Mother's Tavern is another relative newcomer, also about one year old. Its spacious and classy interior makes it one of the nicer bars. Pool tables and a shuffleboard table entertain customers upstairs, while bands usually play throughout the week downstairs.

As one of the more popular bars in town, Mother's customers often wait in long lines outside the bar. The wait must be worth

it as students come back for more every weekend.

Students can dance to Top 40 beats nearly every night of the week at Tortilla Flats. After paying a \$2-\$3 cover charge, students can dance the night away and enjoy dollar shots.

The "Flats" is also the place to be for happy hour. From 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday one can drink \$4 Margarita pitchers and \$5 pitchers of beer, with free food.

"This is really the most popular thing with the college crowd," said Tortilla Flats employee Jason O'Hagan. "It gets really crazy."

For beer lovers, Spike's Place is the place to drink. With 25 beers on tap and 73 total, some consider Spike's selection to be the greatest in the area.

"We definitely have the best beer selection on the central coast as far as the types of beer we sell," said Spike's bartender David Jennings.

Spike's is probably best known for its "Around the World" card. After consuming 40 imported beers, participants get a t-shirt and a personalized plaque placed among the accomplished on Spike's wall.

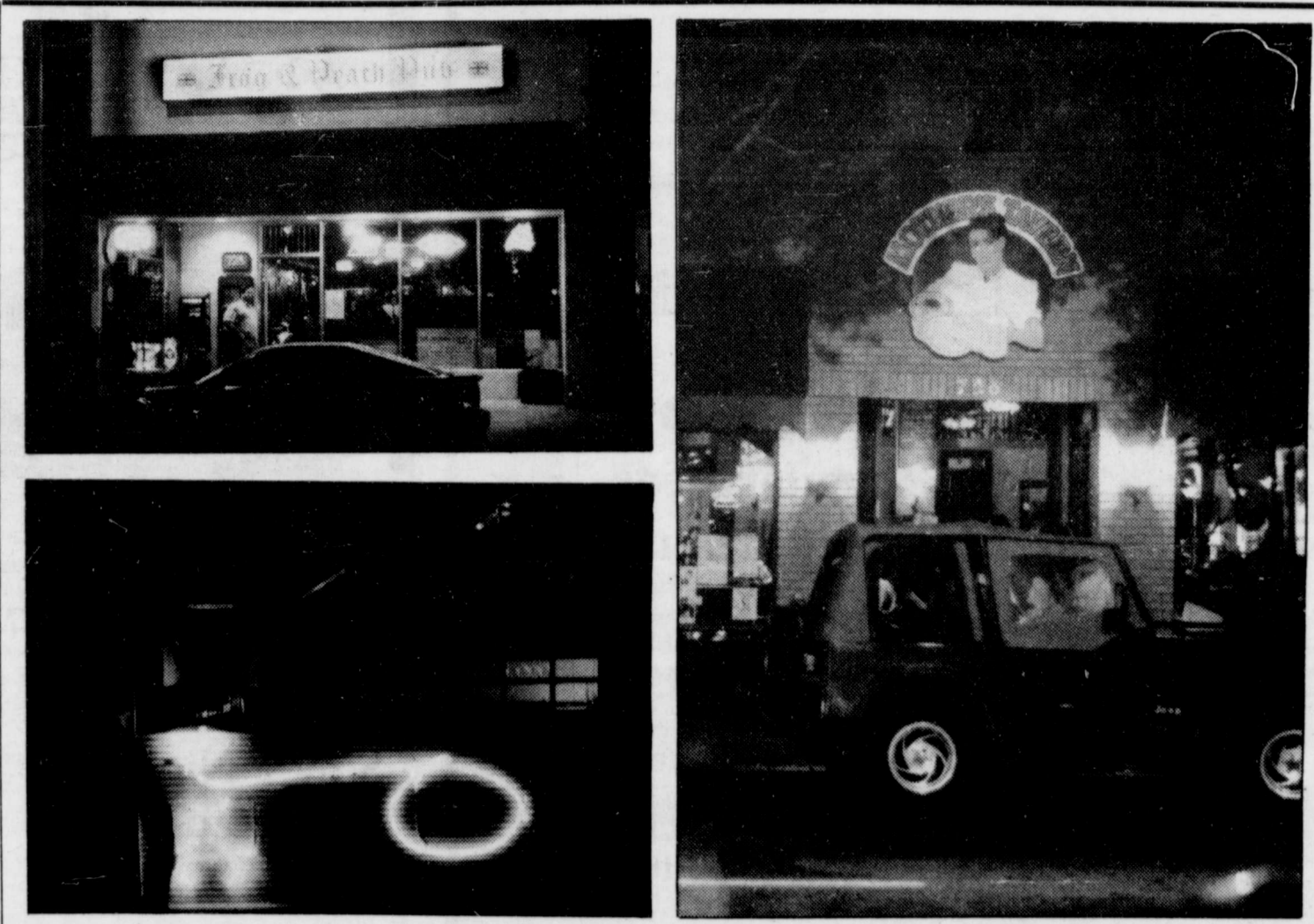
Spike's Place happy hours offer discounted pitchers of beer Monday through Thursday from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

For a different taste, pull on your cowboy boots and go stomping at The Graduate as it hosts country dancing every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday night.

Although "The Grad" is quite a drive from downtown, it can be well worth the trip.

On Thursday, students can jam to Top 40 music and on Sun-

See NIGHTLIFE page 45



The Frog & Peach Pub (upper left), Bull's (lower left), and Mother's Tavern (right) are some of SLO's popular night spots / Photos by Lawrence Rodenborn

## Outdoor activities abound in SLO county

by  
Susannah  
Linwood

Between rolling hills and bodies of water, among the palm trees and the oaks, is the opportunity for both excitement and solitude on the Central Coast.

The area offers outdoor lovers opportunities to reach a high peak, surf a solid wave or retreat to a quiet path. One can also dance in the street, scale a boulder or lounge on a golden sand beach.

"The best thing up there is the view of the ocean on a clear day," said food science senior Jim Crooks describing one of his favorite hikes, Bishop's Peak. "You can see the rock in Morro Bay. You can also see Cayucos Beach and Montaña de Oro."

Bishop's Peak can be hiked from several different angles depending on the type of adven-

ture a person wants, according to Crooks.

"There is a trail that goes around Shadow Peak (a rock climbing spot) that is mellow," he said. "It's under trees most of the way and it wraps all around the base."

"I think the best way up Bishop's is straight up the front from Highland (Street)," Crooks said. "You get some easy rock climbing in there and more exploring than just following a trail."

The zenith of Bishop's Peak not only displays a magnificent view of the land from every angle, but offers huge boulders for people to climb, some that are bolted for rock climbing.

"There's also bolted rock faces all over the base, like Cracked Wall and Shadow Wall, and P-

Wall for more adventurous people."

In addition to Bishop's Peak, Poly Canyon is used for recreational running, hiking, biking and horse back riding. The canyon is located on campus with many natural wonders to view.

Another view includes the winding road that leads through Montaña de Oro State Park with its rows of eucalyptus trees in certain sections.

"They were planted in rows as a plantation crop at the turn of the century," said Montana de Oro park ranger Eric Knapp. "They were thought of as a good hard wood source for the rail road. The problem is they split and bend and don't make good wood for milling."

This state park located in Los Osos spreads over 8,000 acres including seven miles of shoreline

and about a dozen trails, according to Knapp.

"One of the most popular hikes is to Valencia Peak," he said. "There is a nice panoramic view of the coast."

This scenic area with coastal bluffs and sand dunes is also popular for camping, horseback riding and surfing.

If you prefer water activities away from the ocean, zipping down water slides or zooming on jet skis may bring a smile to your face.

Lopez Lake Recreation Center, located northeast of Arroyo Grande, offers these diversions as well as boating, sail boarding, wind surfing, fishing, camping and hiking, according to Steve Endero, a student interim at Lopez Lake.

"The water slides are like a  
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# Mtn. biking lovers' guide to trails

By Randy Halstead  
Daily Staff Writer

We know you're out there. You're a hammer-head or a knob-by-head. You think pavement is boring. Your tires are as fat as your attitude. You live for mountain biking, and you have the scars to prove it.

If the above description fits you, you won't be disappointed with the many mountain bike trails in the San Luis Obispo (SLO) area. Beginners, veterans, and everyone in between can find challenging rides within a short distance of Cal Poly.

You don't even have to leave campus to find a trail worth riding. The main trail on campus is known as the Poly Canyon Loop. It begins at Poly Canyon Road and becomes a wide dirt road across from Diablo Hall. The dirt road winds up the back side of campus and eventually

comes out near the new agriculture buildings. The complete ride is just under eight miles.

A shorter, but more exciting, ride can be found by riding up Poly Canyon until you reach the fifth gate. Turn left and follow

**You don't even have to leave campus to find a trail worth riding. The main trail on campus is known as the Poly Canyon Loop. It begins at Poly Canyon Road and becomes a wide dirt road across from Diablo Hall.**

the single track (narrow trail) up the hill toward the rock heap. After going through seven more gates, you will end up near the horse corrals. From there, pedal onto Via Carta Road until it

meets back up with Perimeter Road.

If you are willing to travel a bit farther, you can find my personal favorite — West Cuesta Ridge. This ride is long and strenuous at times, but it offers some of the best views of the San Luis Obispo and Morro Bay areas I have ever seen.

There are two ways to ride West Cuesta Ridge: one-way out to the Cerro Alto campgrounds or a loop which takes you back to SLO via State Highway 41 and U.S. Highway 1. If you want to go one-way, you'll need to have transportation waiting at the Cerro Alto campgrounds. Either way, you find West Cuesta Ridge by pedaling north on Highway 101 to Stagecoach Road. There you turn left and start riding up the hill to TV Tower Road.

This trail and many others can be found in one of several books devoted to mountain biking in this area. I found several good trails in a book entitled, "Fat Tire Fun," by Gwen Dawkins and Dirk Franklin. One unique characteristic about that book is that it gives the "P.O. factor" — that is the amount of poison oak you are likely to run into — on each trail.

Anyone considering riding should always remember these basic guidelines:

- Be courteous to others — especially people riding horseback — on the trails.
- Helmets, while not required for all riders, are highly recommended.
- Always leave gates the way you find them.
- Don't ride alone.
- Bring enough food and water to last longer than you plan to ride.



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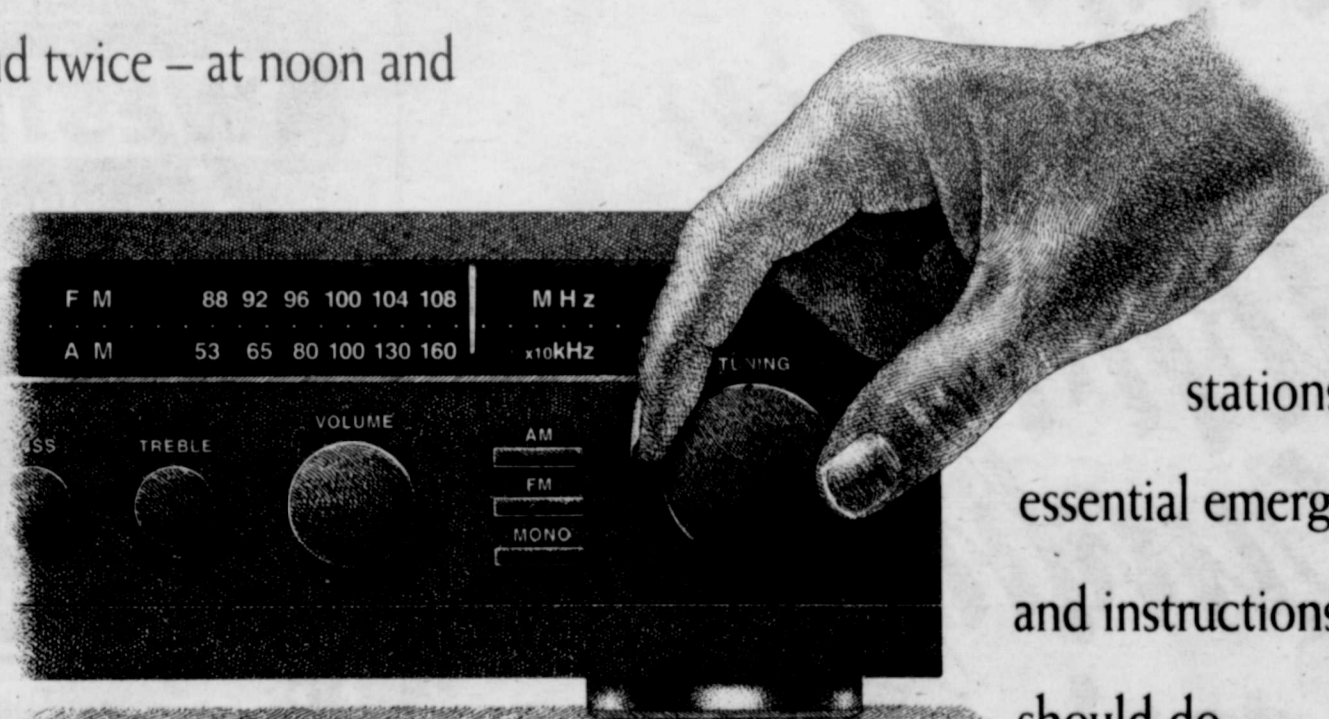
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## SLOBound: WOW groups browse through shops

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stops planned:

Mitchell Park, the Mission, the Government Center and, Garden Street.

The Government Center will be the wowie's first stop after a barbecue lunch at Mitchell Park. They are scheduled to receive flower leis and then embark on their adventures.

According to Bullock, there will be a lagoon staged at Garden Street where wowie's can participate in a limbo contest.

Also, there will be a cave at the Mission where Kinko's will take group pictures as souvenirs for each WOW group.

At Mitchell Park there will be a hut set up with a luau, hula lessons and a tug-of-war.

SLOBound, scheduled from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., begins at Cal Poly.

Wowie's are bused from Cal Poly to Mitchell Park.

"As they get on the bus they are each given a bag with a collection of coupons and flyers from downtown merchants," Bullock said.

"Once they get to the Government Center they are given a list of participating businesses and a map of downtown," Bullock added.

The SLOBound committee contacts downtown stores, briefs them about the event and tries to interest them in participating.

"Juice Club gives counselors a free mug and gives the wowie's a 50 percent discount on a smoothie," Bullock said.

Surrey Ridge, Cookie Bear, Domino's and Chili Peppers are some of the businesses participating with coupons and free gifts.

"Crystal Clear water donated

water for the entire week of welcome, including SLOBound," Bullock said.

"The Business Improvement Association (BIA) is currently compiling a list of all merchants participating including any coupons or gifts they plan to give wowie's," she added.

According to Bullock, the committee leaves it up to the merchants to entice the counselors to bring groups by their stores.

The committee gives merchants suggestions on ways to lure the groups into their stores.

Setting up outdoor tables or stands and displaying what the store has to offer is one way merchants attract the wowie's to their businesses.

By providing the wowie's with coupons and/or free gifts, merchants are likely to have a busy day.

"The merchants all expect you and are very friendly and accommodating," Meremeyer said. "They gave us a lot of free stuff — it was cool."

Downtown San Luis Obispo will play host to approximately 165 groups, each consisting of 15-20 wowie's and two counselors.

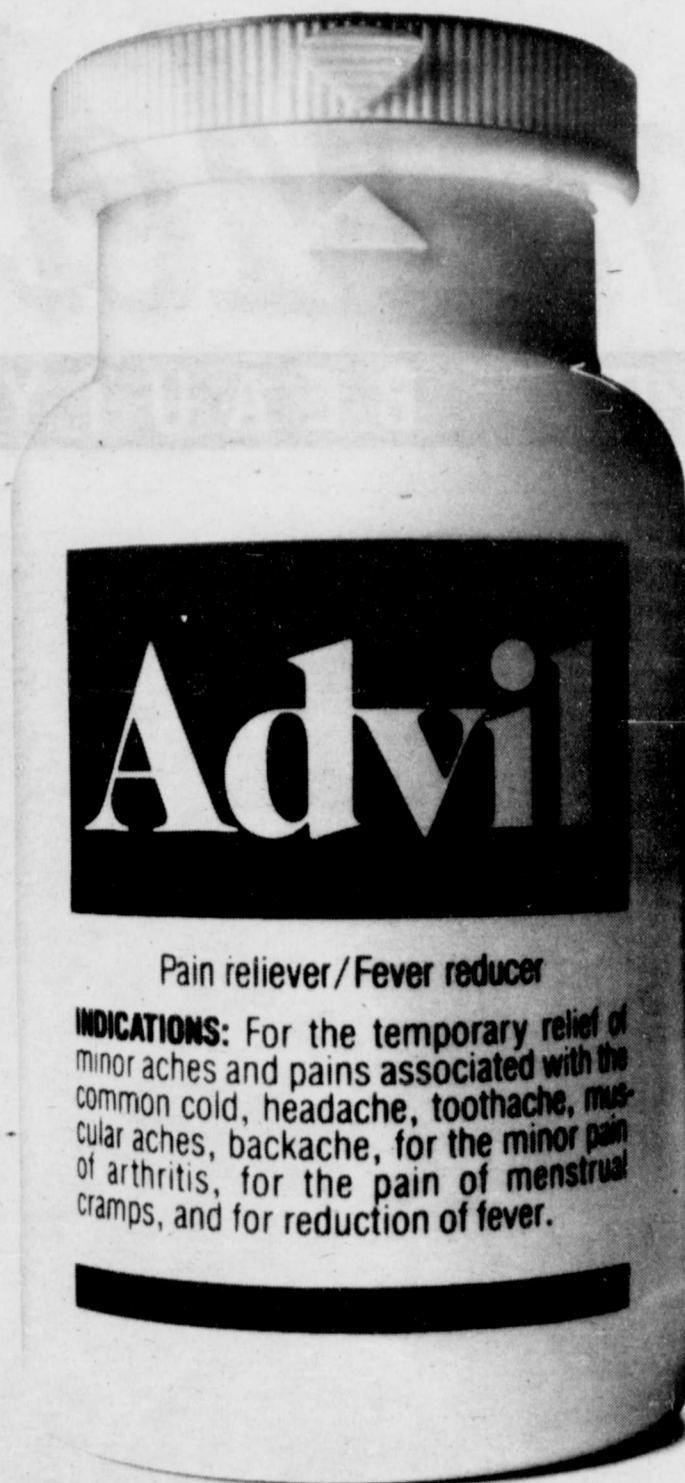
Although there are certain destinations each group must reach, the path they choose is up to the individual groups and their counselors.

The committee believes that merchants who invite wowie's into their stores make a good first impression.

"The students will probably revisit a store that made them feel comfortable and gave them free gifts or discounts," Bullock said.

The merchants are gaining a

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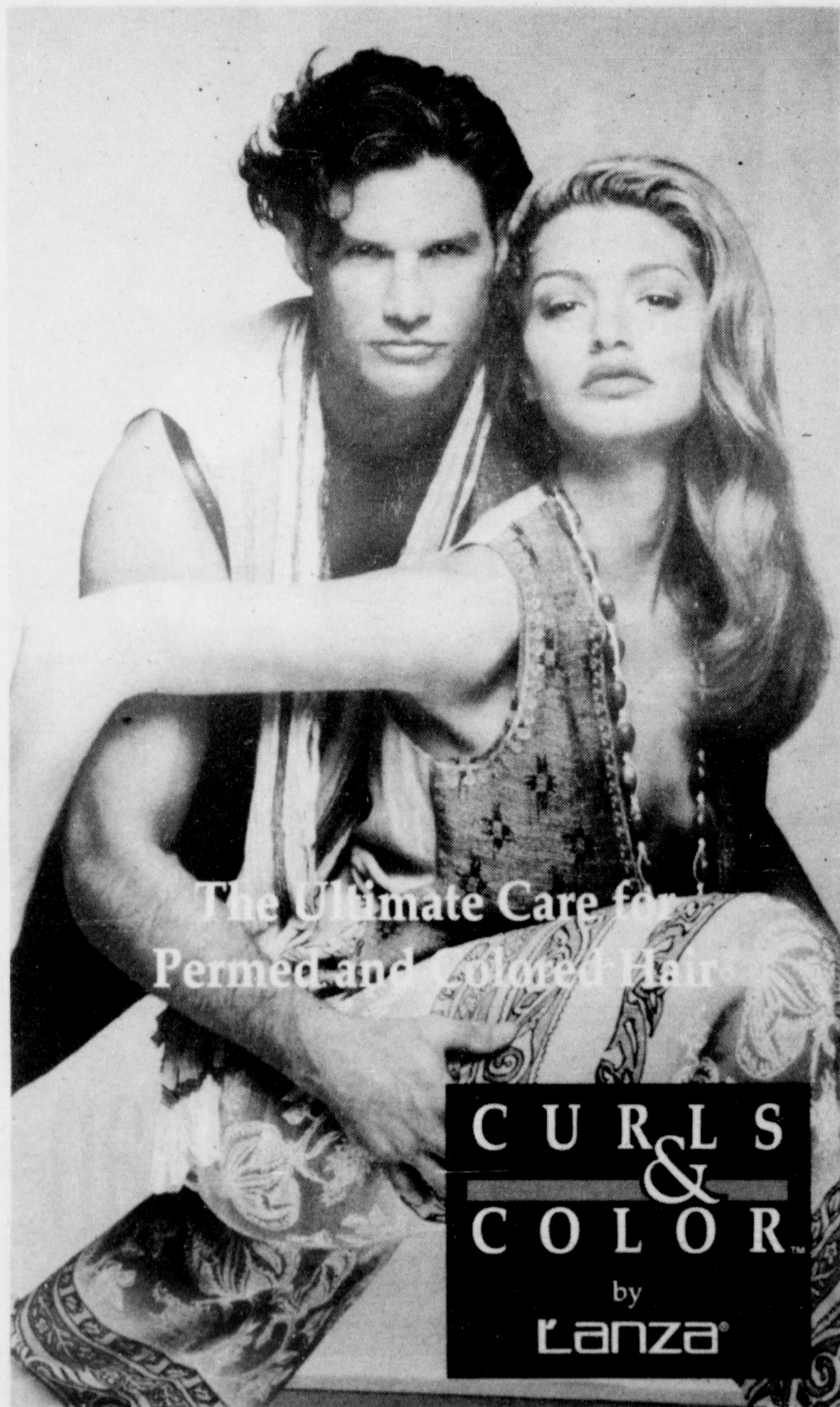
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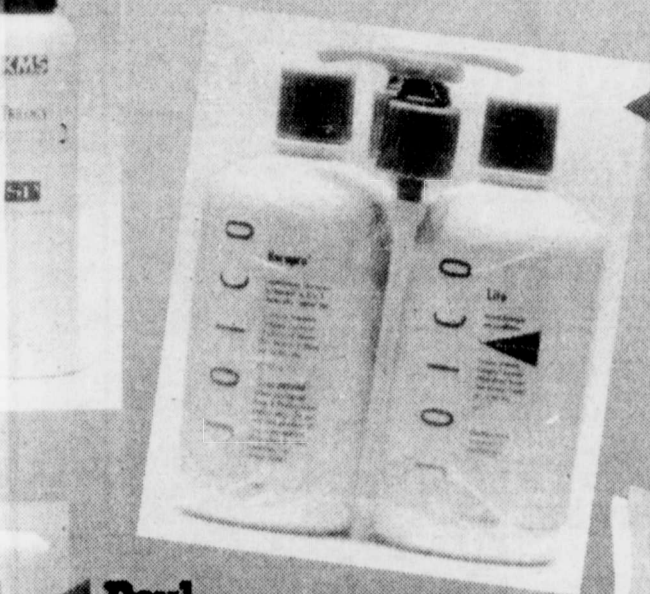


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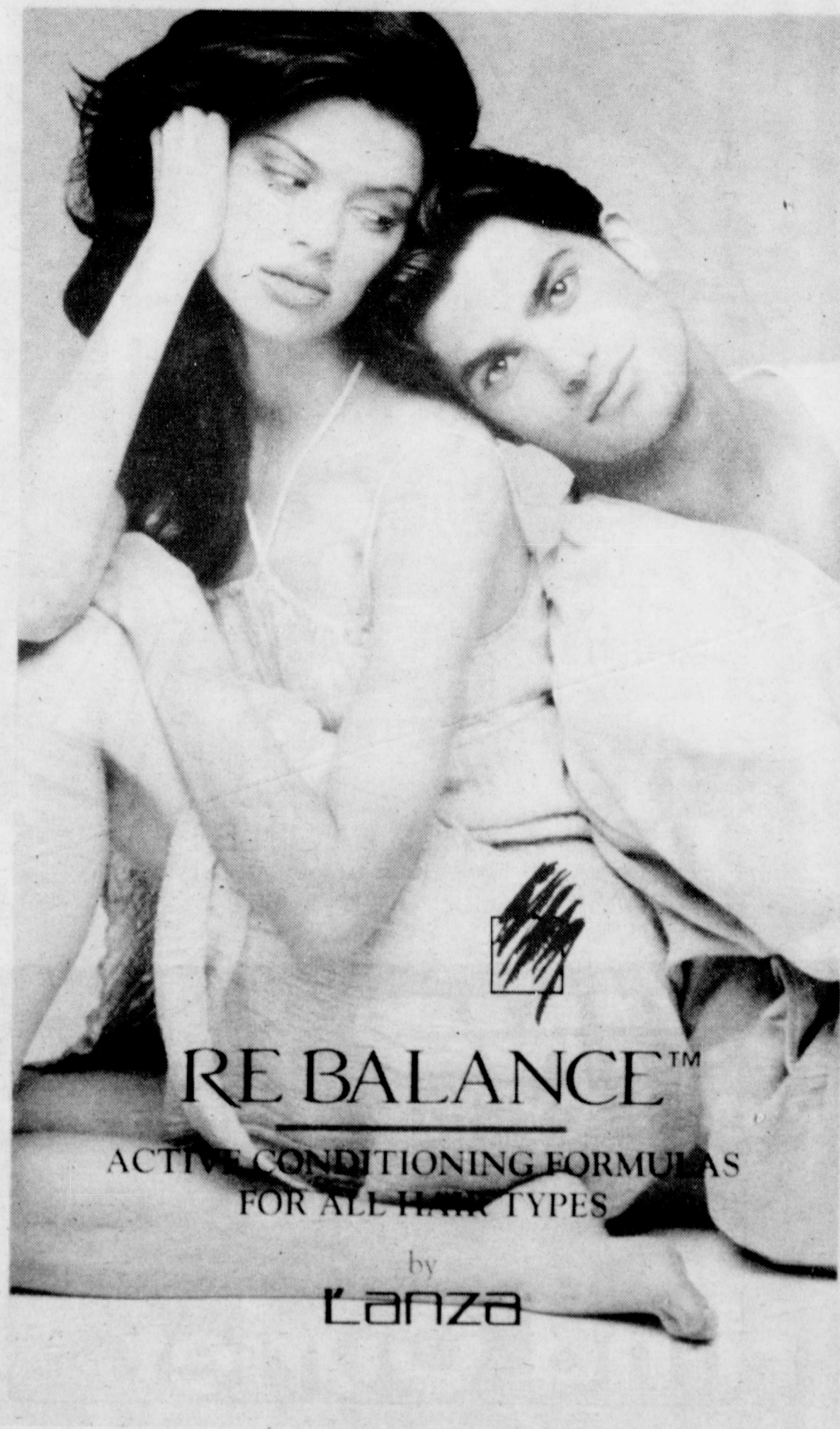
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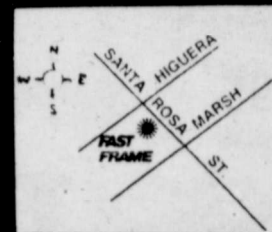
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# STRENGTHS

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"Learn by Doing."

Industrial and manufacturing engineering professor Unny Menon typifies the kind of practical instruction that is found here.

In May, Menon, along with materials engineering professor Blair London and Dan Walsh, associate dean of engineering, were awarded a \$270,000 contract from the U.S. Department of Defense. The professors constructed a rapid prototyping lab capable of producing high-performance materials for use on aircraft and spacecraft.

Rapid prototyping is a highly advanced manufacturing process that allows parts to be built directly from computer-generated models. The parts are "built" one microscopic layer on top of another by highly accurate, computer-controlled lasers using a wide variety of materials. The materials range from extremely thin sheets of paper to a resin which hardens when exposed to ultraviolet light.

The money supplied the lab with two Silicon Graphics workstations and two rapid prototyping machines. Together, the system will allow its operator to completely manufacture three-dimensional prototypes without leaving a computer workstation.

Although humans could make such prototypes as accurately as the machines, they could not match the machines' speed, Menon said.

And this new technology is not just limited to upperclassmen. Menon said there will be labs utilizing the rapid prototyping equipment for all grade levels.

Another Cal Poly achievement on the science front was the revival of prehistoric bacteria by biological sciences professor Raul Cano.

The accomplishment, which attracted international attention, was announced in May even though it occurred in December 1991. According to Cano, the delay was due to a rigorous verification process.

According to Philip Bailey, Jr., dean of college of science and mathematics, new innovations in instruction could change the way some of his college's courses are taught.


The new teaching concept known as the "studio-classroom project" combines the lecture with the lab in order to enhance the connection between theory and practical application. Currently, the "studio-classroom project" model is being used in some chemistry classes and may be expanded to other courses pending its results, Bailey said.

Another advancement that could improve the quality of instruction for some students is electronic textbooks for teaching math. Bailey said the textbooks, which are now being tested in some math labs, could give students a better grasp of math concepts and give professors an accurate accounting of how much time students spend studying.

Technological achievements are not all Cal Poly is known for. The university also boasts a highly respected agriculture program. Two new advanced facilities — a poultry unit and dairy — will help give students an edge in industry after graduation.

The recently constructed poultry instruction center and milk processing facility slated for completion by early October are both state-of-the-art, said Joseph Jen, dean of the college of

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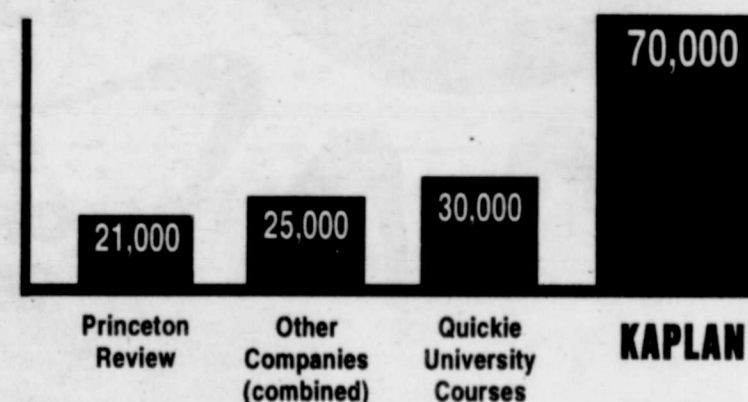
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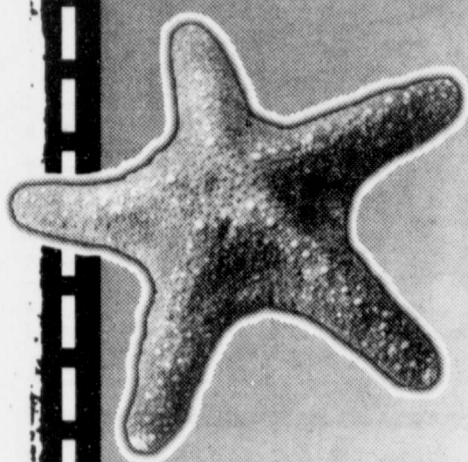
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## PHE: team members visit dorms to help new students adjust to college

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"We don't require that they know a lot about health to come into the program," Dominguez said. "It is more important that they want to help others."

Beyond the desire to work with and help others, counselors should have certain other qualities, she said.

"They need to have good communication skills, empathy, and a good sense of decision making so that they can help lead someone else," she said.

Helping people in seminars and conferences is not the only way that PHE gets involved in the college community. The up-

coming Collegiate Health Tour is a good example of the active role PHE plays in providing students healthy ways to have fun.

"The purpose of the Collegiate Health Tour is to show students that there are ways of having fun, healthy activities that don't necessarily involve alcohol and other drugs," Dominguez said.

The event will take place at Cal Poly on October 16-17 on Dexter Lawn. A few of the activities planned are bungee run jumping, a Velcro fly wall, a rock climbing wall, gladiator jousting, and human bowling.

PHE does presentations during WOW and offers many services to help incoming stu-

dents make the transition to Cal Poly because they recognize new students have special needs.

"The majority of the problems new students have relate to time management, and dealing with new responsibilities and long distance relationships," Dominguez said. "All three of those can create really high stress for students."

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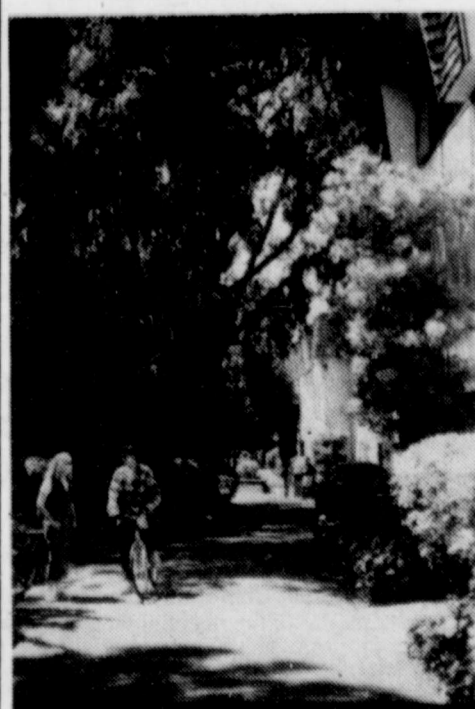


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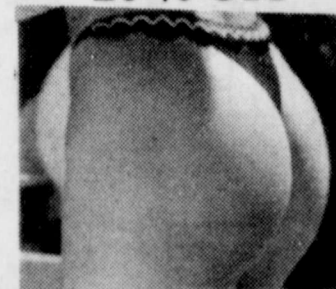
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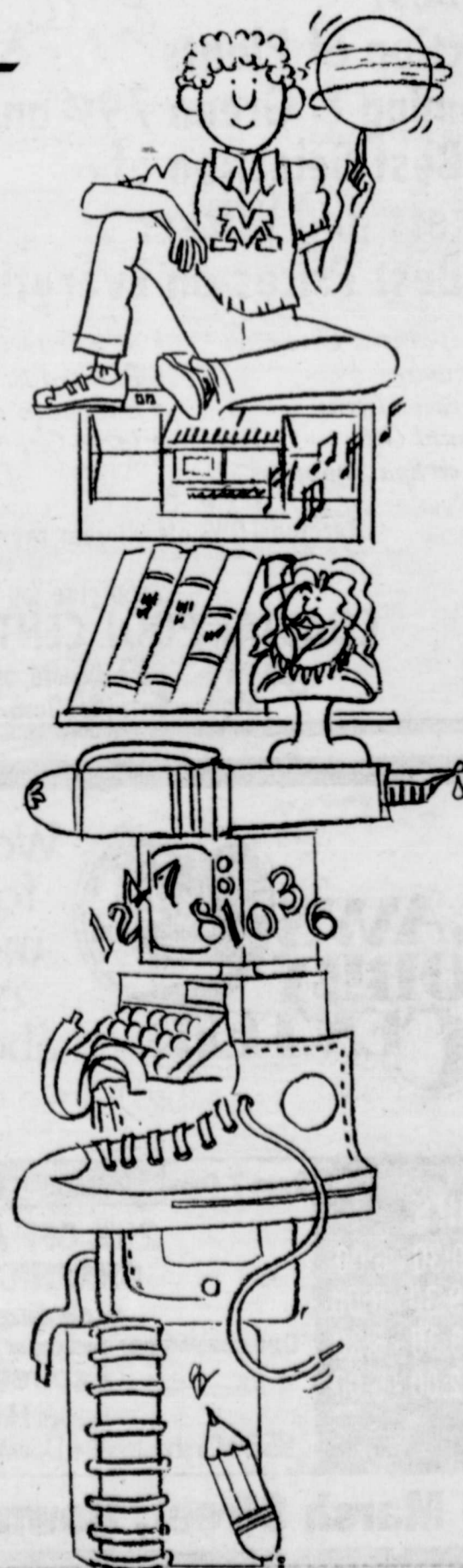
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# ARCHITECTURE: Post 1960s buildings have 'flair'

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tually phased out because it became more economical to contract out projects to local architectural firms.

The computer science building is one of the first buildings to reflect these changes on campus. It breaks away from the traditional, cubic style and adds some creativity through brickwork and layout.

"Everything built after the 60s has some kind of flair," Wolfe said.

Cal Poly continues to contract out new building projects. Interested architects must apply to be approved under the state system. Once this is completed, they can submit their plans to the Cam-

pus Planning Committee. The individual architects have virtual freedom in their designs. The committee votes, and the best plans are chosen.

Marroquin said he would like to see the students more involved.

"The university should have some sort of contest to get the best design. This way, architecture majors could try to get involved," Marroquin said. "However, I think the reason they don't is because the state considers it a conflict of interest."

Wolfe added there is an effort to collaborate between faculty, students and the architect, however it is not always evident

See ARCHITECTURE page 35

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## PLAN: Student involvement key to plan's success

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dents get involved with their school.

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This generation is already notorious for not having a voice in the political world. This is a shame. It is characterized as more likely to show up at a Kurt

Students now have the opportunity to voice their opinions and be heard. Baker has pledged to set up forums for discussion of the plan on campus, and all students should attend.

The only way a worthwhile plan will come to fruition is if the students become involved. Baker and the faculty can come up with their own ideas of what is needed to keep Cal Poly a topnotch university. But without the input of students, it will mean nothing and could possibly hurt the future of this institution.

The bottom line is students must get involved with campus politics in any way they can.

## SLOBound: Event seen as win-win by all involved

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future customer that will potentially be in town for the next several years.

"The wowies loved going from shop to shop," said Nwabueze Okebata, electrical engineering graduate and former WOW counselor.

"It's not just good for the kids — it's very good for the busi-

nesses too," he added.

SLOBound is acknowledged by many people and businesses and shows wowies the special places of San Luis Obispo.

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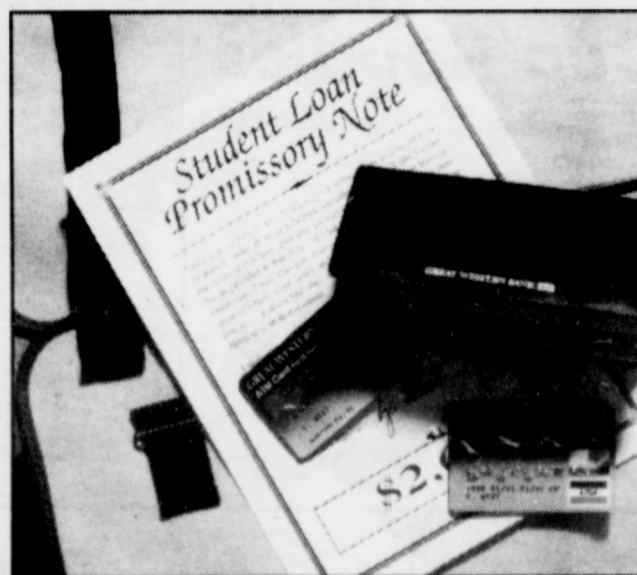
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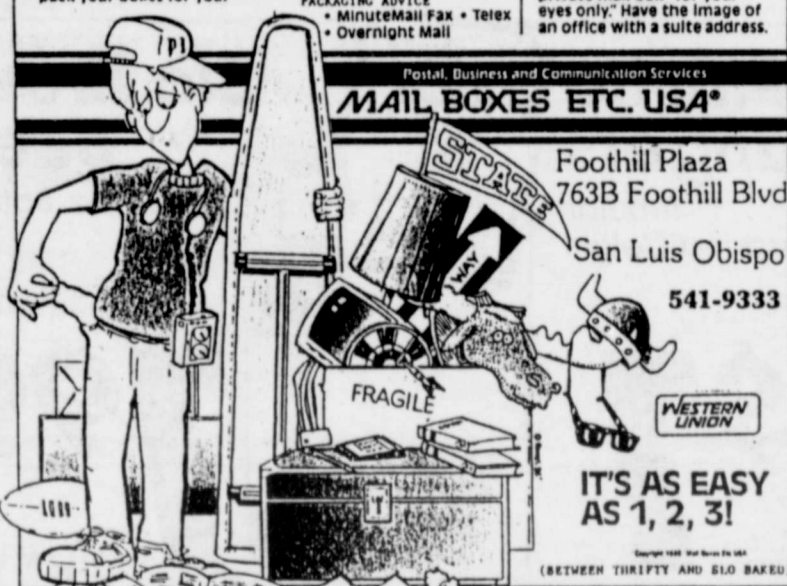
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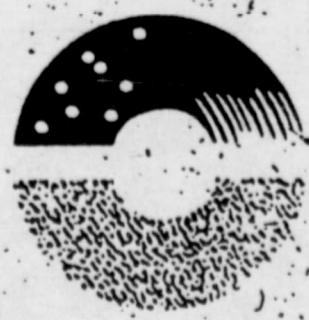
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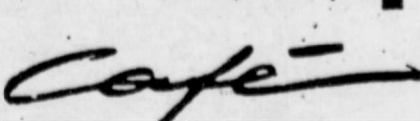


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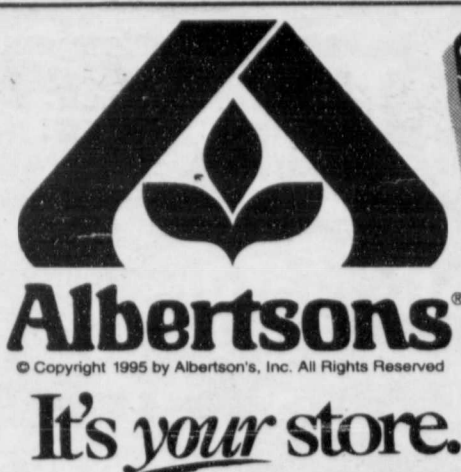
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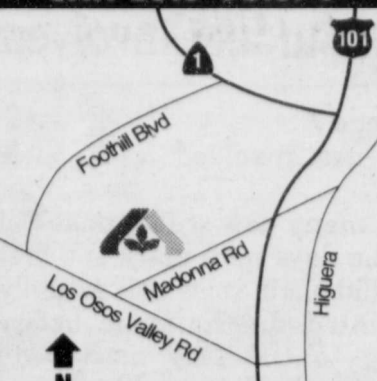
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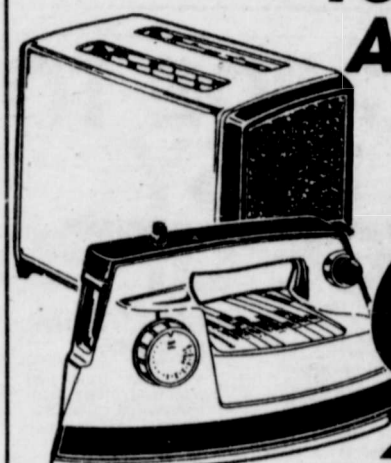
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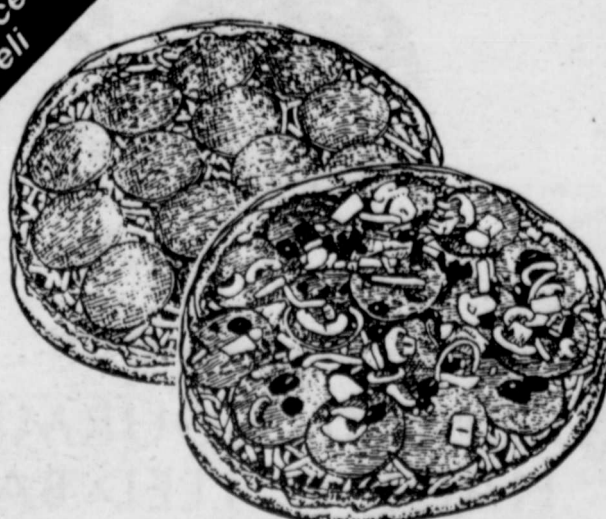
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## ARCHITECTURE: Hodgepodge seen as beautiful

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in the structures.

"The architecture building is a perfect example," Marroquin said. "If it could be rotated 180 degrees, the sunlight would hit its steps. No one ever sits there because it is always so cold."

This building is an example of how Cal Poly's architecture is used in the classroom.

"Our teachers use the buildings on campus a lot of times to demonstrate what not to do," said Marroquin.

An absence of continuity is mainly attributed to the large number of different architects whose works have found a home on campus.

"Substantial growth areas

eyed for expansion are the properties located behind Campus Safety and near the California Street entrance in the old dorm area," he said.

There are no architectural projects currently slated for the future at Cal Poly. However, Wolfe commented on the areas in which future expansion might take place.

"Ironically, Cal Poly seems to receive constant acclaim from visitors to the campus," Wolfe said. "Everyone comments on how beautiful it is."

"I think it's the people who spend more time here that look around and start to criticize," he said. "Maybe it is the mish-mosh of building styles that gives Cal Poly its character."

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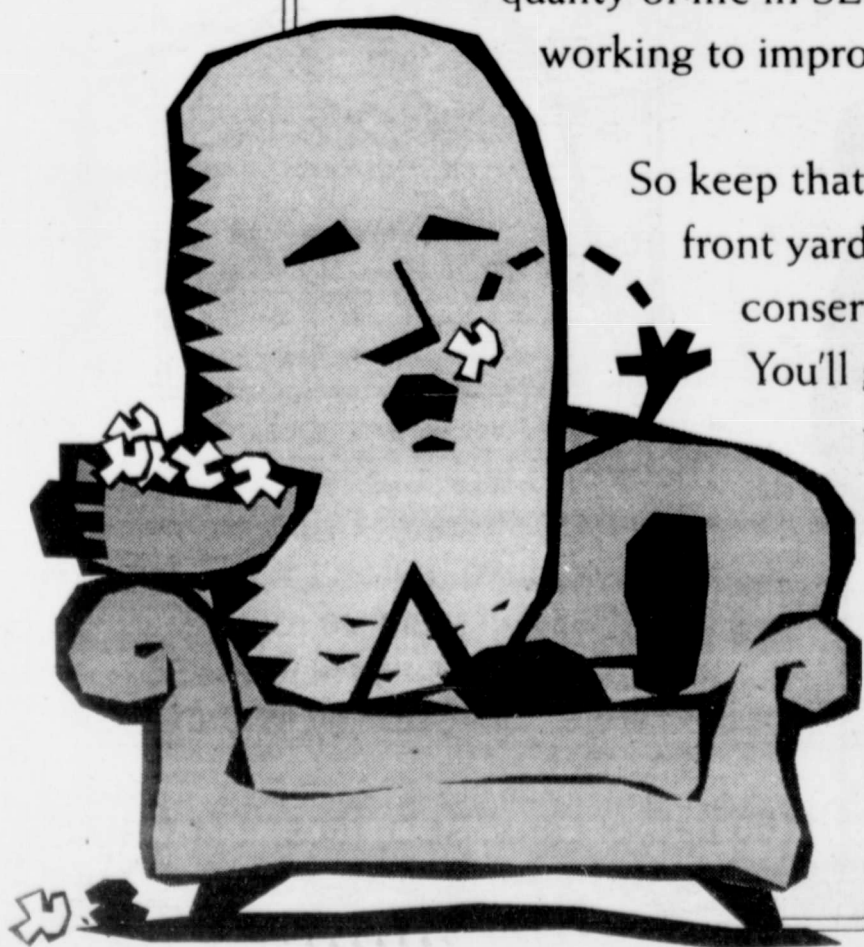
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## REC: Rec Center offers up club sports

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clubs may be the answer. All clubs compete in matches against other universities.

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"Our philosophy is to keep the facility open whenever possible," she said. "At anytime you should be able to just drop in."

The Rec Center is open Monday through Friday 6 a.m. to midnight, Saturday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday 8 a.m. to midnight.

Sport activity is a terrific way to exert energy, but not everyone wants to involve themselves in programs like those at the Rec Center.

Some students prefer to get involved beyond the classroom by joining fraternities and sororities.

According to Walt Lambert, assistant director of Greek affairs, approximately 200-250 men and women go through rush each year and the numbers are increasing because the amount of students at Cal Poly is increasing.

"Rush is a formalized mechanism used worldwide by fraternities and sororities," said Lambert.

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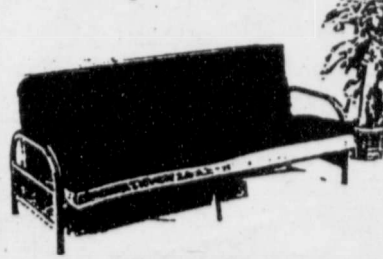
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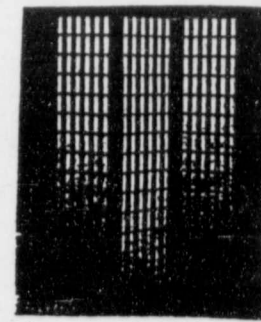
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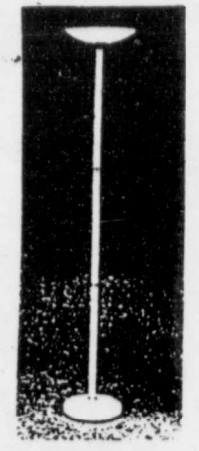
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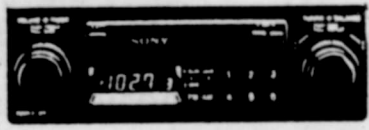
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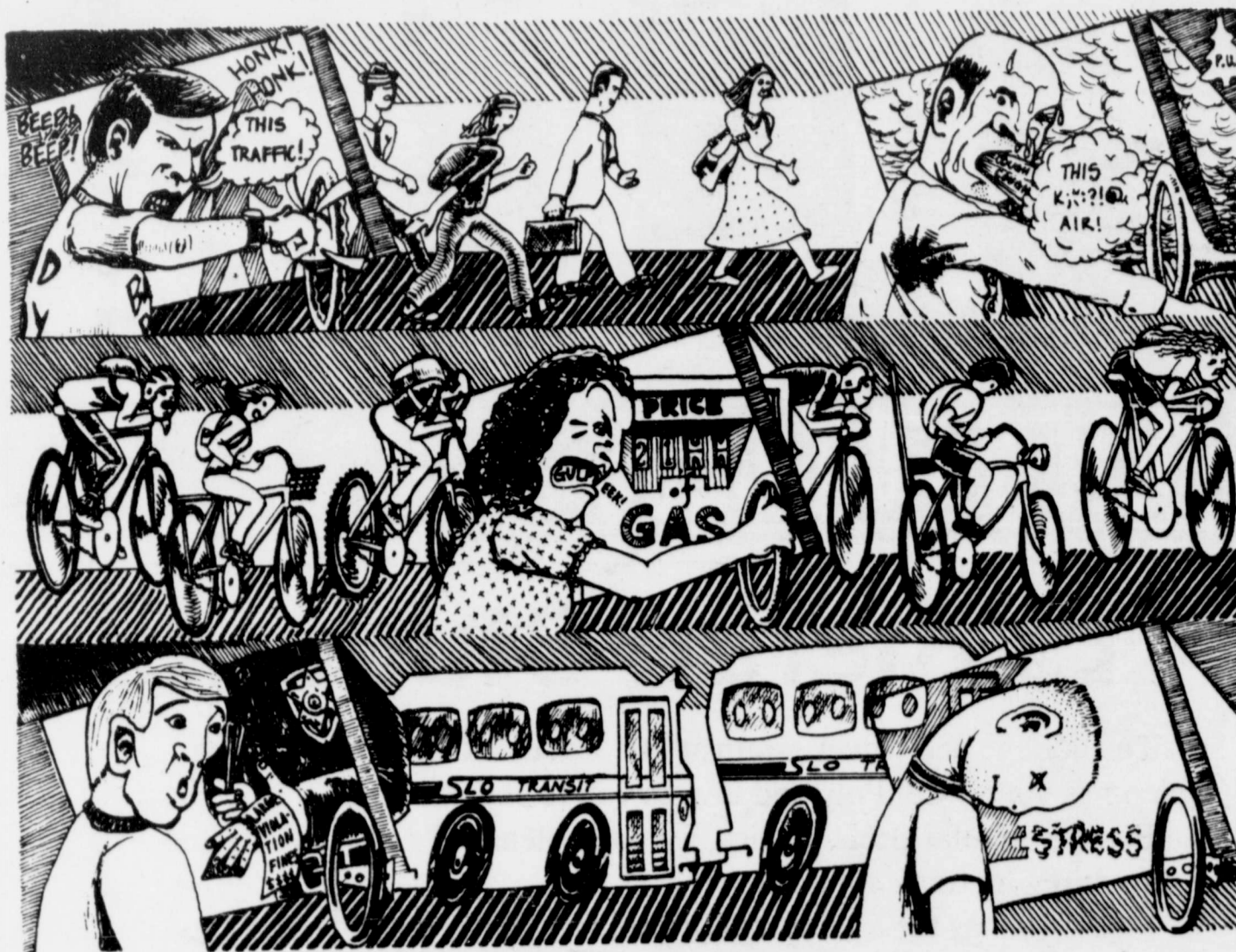
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## STRENGTHS: Beyond academics, Cal Poly offers plenty of leisure activities

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**"Studies show that students who get involved (in students organizations) have a higher rate of retention and a greater sense of satisfaction while in college."**

**Ken Barclay**

Director of student life and activities

are also available at markets around the county.

Educational accomplishments aside, Cal Poly has much to offer in the area of leisure activity. The two-year-old campus recreation center is a cutting edge facility offering everything from

weights to walleyball.

For those craving the fine arts, a new performing arts center under construction since March 1994 is scheduled to be completed by next fall. The center will primarily host musical performances, so acoustics will be its most important feature, according to the center's managing director, Ron Regier.

Social interaction can also do much to enrich the lives of college students. To that end, Cal Poly offers a variety of interest-specific student organizations.

Students are very active in the organizations, according to Ken Barclay, director of student life and activities. He said approximately 85-percent of students are involved with at least one of the school's over 350 student organizations.

"Such a high level of student

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## DORMS: Coping with long distance relationships, no bathroom privacy

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tomed to complete silence when sleeping at home, however quickly learned that in the dorms going to bed did not mark the end of the evening.

"I woke up at about 2:30 a.m. because my roommate started to snore really loud," she said. "That's when I started to get really homesick. I called my parents at the hotel and started to cry. My mom tried to settle me down, but I told her I wanted to leave college."

According to Amador, this was about the same time that she started to miss her boyfriend back in her hometown of Fullerton.

"It was really hard leaving

and being excited about college because I wanted him to be with me. I had dated him all summer and fell completely in love with him."

She soon realized that making a long distance relationship work is difficult when there are so many opportunities to do the wrong thing.

"My intentions were really good at the beginning, but during the first quarter, I kissed another guy in the dorm," she said hesitantly. "It's hard because everyone is sleeping in everybody else's rooms and partying together. There are no parents to say it's time to come home, so you're usually up until 2 a.m."

Another significant adjustment was realizing that bathroom privacy had become a thing of the past.

"It was like brushing your teeth and washing your face with 18 sisters," she said. "The showers were like little cubicles. It made shaving your legs an impossibility. You would have to do the splits if you were to get anything accomplished."

Despite the problems Amador encountered in the dorms, she said there were many positives about dorm life in the long run. The friends she made have played a crucial role in her life.

Amador explained that after she left the dorms the relationships she had established continued.

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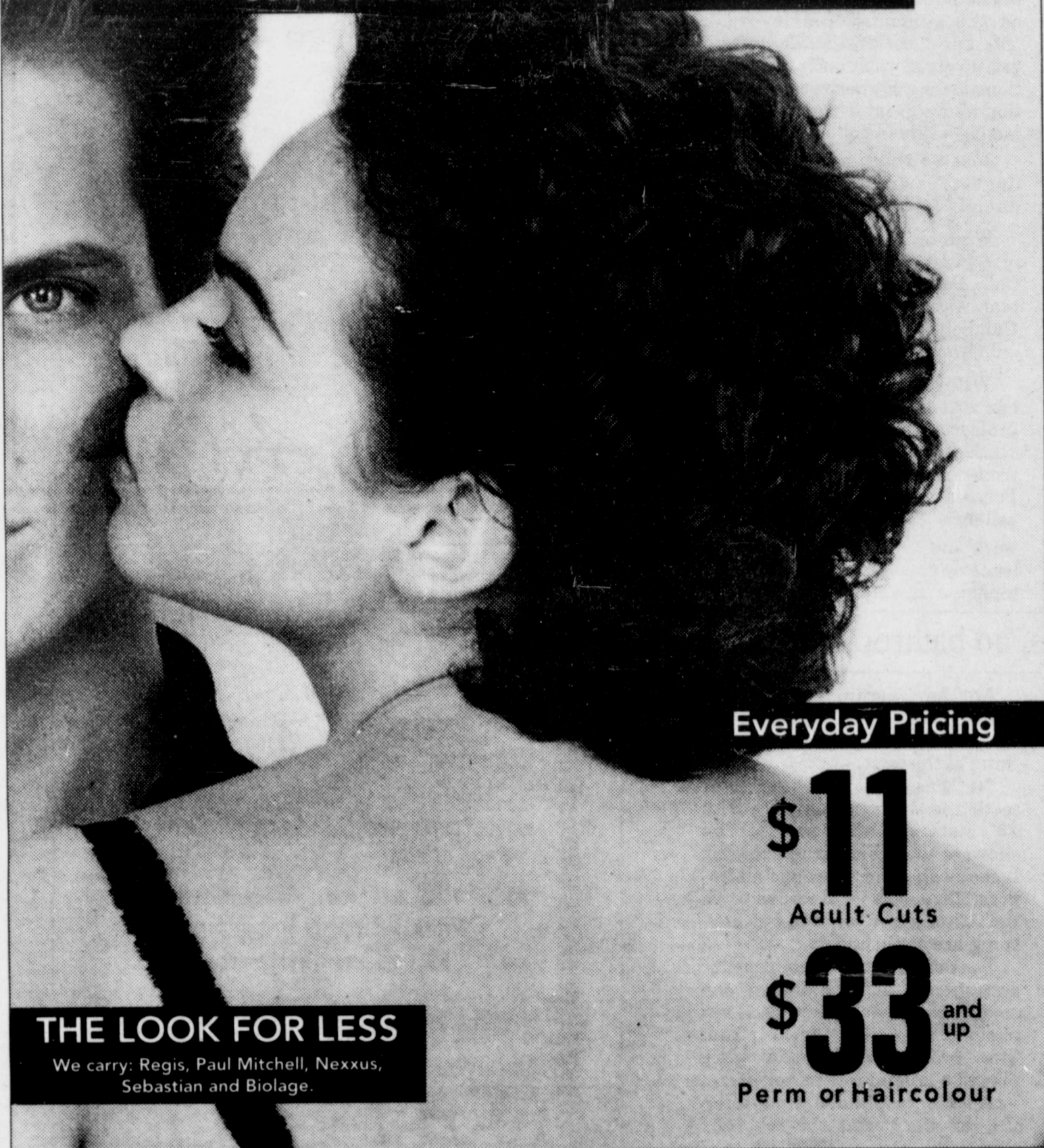
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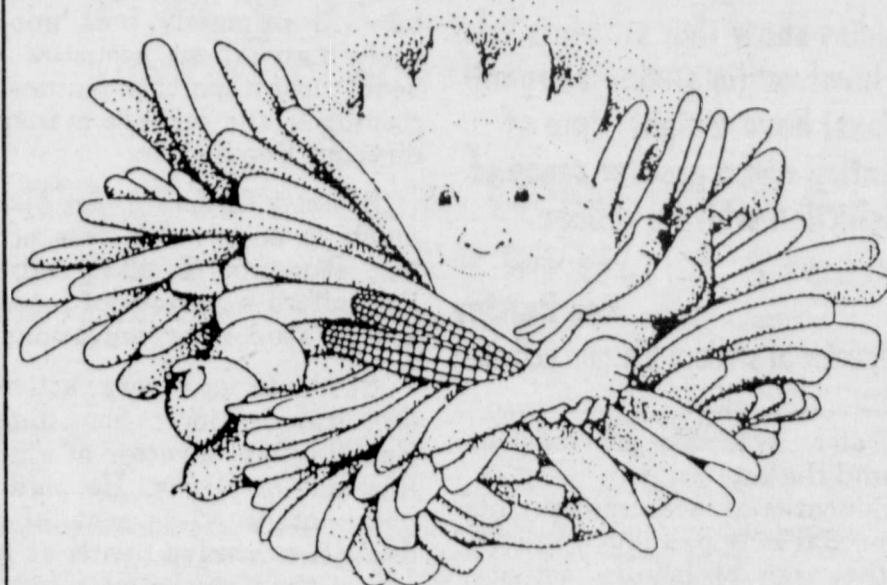
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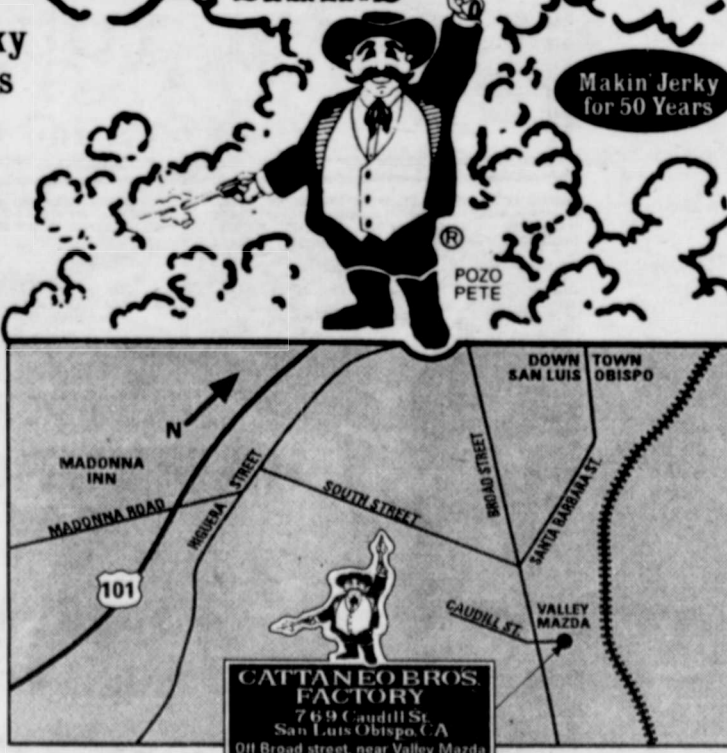
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Rocks jutting out into the sea are just part of the beauty and charm of Montaña de Oro State Park / Photo by Lawrence Rodenborn

## DIVERSIONS: Lopez Lake, Highway 1 worth trips

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smaller version of Raging Waters," Endero said. The park has daily, half-daily and hourly rates available.

Boat rentals are available at Lopez Lake and people can water ski at up to 40 mph in the lake's main channel.

At this time of year, crappie, bluegill, catfish and bass are in season, according to Endero, and in the winter and spring trout can be found in the waters of Lopez.

While fishing and boating in this recreational area is fun for some, others like the freedom and unspoiled beauty found north along U.S. Highway 1.

Canoeing, swimming and surfing are all popular pastimes in the water at Morro Bay. But, the stretch of coastline between Morro Bay and Big Sur provides a abundance of hiking and surfing opportunities as well.

"The best thing about this

coastline from Morro Bay to Big Sur is that there is no one defined place you have to surf at," Crooks said. "There are beaches that people prefer to surf at, and when driving along the road you'll see tons of waves all over the place."

"The best thing about it is exploring and walking out to places where there's no one around and finding a wave for yourself," he said. "It's pretty much unexplored and you can take your adventure to whatever height you want to make it."

Like surfing along this coastal highway, hiking spots are plentiful and varied. There are marked and unmarked trails found along the side of creeks.

"If you want to get more secluded you can stop at any side of the road and find a really neat place to hike," he said. "There's a huge waterfall at Salmon Creek (a marked spot along the coast road.) You can get right up in it

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## ATHLETICS: Department has made great strides

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McCutcheon knows there is still work to be done for Cal Poly athletics to move up to the next level.

"The biggest thing we're working on as a department," he said, "is to get ourselves to a stronger competitive level."

The department needs to continue to develop its funding sources and further solidify its funding base for all of its programs, he added.

The next large, long-range goal, according to McCutcheon, will be the upgrade of facilities including the renovation of Mott Gymnasium and the construction of an all-together new facility for men's and women's soccer and football. These projects are currently being reviewed and plans have not been made for construction.

The many goals already fulfilled by the department, including the move into the Big West

Conference in 1996, have McCutcheon pleased about Cal Poly's present position and excited about its future.

"It's pretty remarkable that we've been able to come as far as we have in the time period that we've done it in," he said proudly. "It was just three years ago that we were Division II looking for answers as to what direction we would go in general... and here we are three years later with a very stable and competitive conference home in the Big West."

McCutcheon explained that Cal Poly's recent and rapid coming of age as a Division I school makes it unique and primed for the future.

"It's really pretty remarkable," he said. "We feel good about where we are. The prospects for the future are just as bright as they have been for the past couple of years."

## DIVERSIONS: Farmer's market is the place to be

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and right under it; there's a cave and water comes out of it."

The enjoyment of these unexplored wonders are well worth the half-a-day excursion time, Crooks added.

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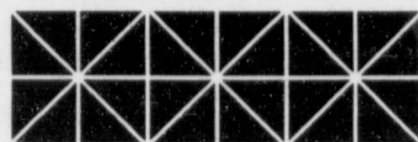
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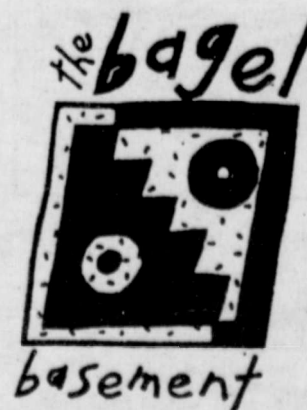
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## NIGHTLIFE: From music to drink specials, SLO offers students of all ages a wide assortment of nighttime activities to enjoy

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days learn to Salsa.

On the first and third Fridays of the month, The Grad hosts "Big Chill" nights. Dancers twist and "stay alive" to music from the 50s, 60s and 70s.

"Retro" nights are every second and fourth Friday and consist of 70s and 80s tunes.

There are no drink specials at The Graduate, but according to manager Jason Thomson, their Long Island iced tea is a favorite among Poly students.

Cover charges vary from \$3 to \$6.

Bull's Tavern is the last stop for a lot of weekend bar-goers. You'll have to wait your turn to drink at Bull's, as a line usually forms out the door after 11 p.m.

"Bull's is the total college type

bar here in town, especially with all the newer and more expensive bars going up," said agriculture business senior and regular Bull's customer Jeff Haakuas. "It's where we usually end up."

Throughout the week, excluding Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, Bull's has dollar drafts. Daring drinkers should try the notorious "Bullsweat" shot, which is usually reserved as a birthday prank or for a longtime enemy.

A unique feature at Bull's is its decorated ceiling. In April of 1993, the bar began selling ceiling tiles for \$15. Customers can decorate them however they choose, and, of course, they range from talented works to truly tasteless designs. The tiles hang in place for at least a year and the

better the artwork, the longer it stays up.

Although Bull's is about the size of a garage, its jukebox and atmosphere make it a popular place for Poly drinkers.

"It's a great place to hang out and be seen," said bartender Fred Peterson.

All the establishments encourage responsible drinking and most offer complimentary sodas to designated drivers. For those who are unable to drive, one of the easiest alternatives to drinking and driving is calling a taxi or a local transportation service called Ride On.

Ride On has a "Safe Ride Home Program." For \$4 the service will transport you to or from

any location within the San Luis Obispo city limits. It is a cheap, easy, safe way to get home after a night of drinking. For more information about Ride On's services call 541-8747 or 459-3616.

For those of you who are not of legal drinking age, you can still hang out with everyone at Tortilla Flats and The Graduate on their 18 and over nights.

Monday and Wednesday are 18 and over nights at Tortilla Flats. Youngsters can eat tacos and watch Monday night football with the happy hour crowd. On Wednesday, one can come cut a rug as local bands rock the bar.

College Night, occasionally hosted by the Flats, is also open to everyone over 18. Bring stu-

dent identification and get \$1 off the cover charge.

Young country dancers can two-step at The Graduate every Wednesday and Saturday. Although they can't get into the designated drinking area, they can enjoy themselves on the Graduate's huge dance floor. Cover charges are more expensive for those under 21, ranging from \$5 to \$6.

No matter how old you are, Cal Poly students can take part in San Luis Obispo's nightlife. Whether its dancing, drinking or just hanging out, anyone can find their niche among the different downtown establishments that look forward to another busy year serving students.

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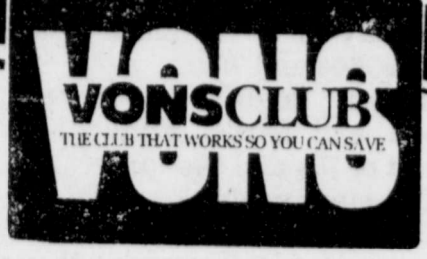
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## RUSH: Rush week is a traditional event

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He explained the two types of rush. A Pan Hellenic rush is more strict in guidelines and regulations and used by the sororities.

Fraternity rush is regulated by the Interfraternity Council and has more lenient guidelines than those of the sororities.

In a Pan Hellenic rush, each sorority is limited to the number of members they can accept. Therefore, some may not be accepted to the sorority of their choice.

"The young women go to six different rush parties on the first

**"Some people just feel more comfortable with one group. If you were an agriculture student or involved in sports, or perhaps education or charities you would choose the house most suited to you."**

**Walt Lambert**  
assistant director of Greek affairs

day then chose one of them. The same process happens the next day," Lambert said.

"It's a double elimination process," he added. "The sorority may choose to give a bid to someone who will take a bid from another sorority."

"There are some who don't get asked back," Lambert said. "Others drop out during rush."

There are six sororities and about 20 fraternities on campus and the only way to join is to take part in the rush activities.

Out of the 20 fraternities, three or four are not in the coun-

cil.

According to Lambert, fraternities participate in the same type of rush, but it is a less formal process. There are no invitation regulations through the university.

"Because there are so many fraternities, the guys usually choose four or five houses to talk to and work from there," he said.

Rush is held for five days and begins the Thursday before school starts.

Lambert admits that joining a sorority or fraternity is a lifelong commitment.

"Once you're initiated, it's for life," he said. "You can't join a different house once you've been initiated to another."

Students join the Greek system for many reasons, but one seems to stand out to Lambert.

"Some people just feel more comfortable with one group," he said. "If you were an agriculture student or involved in sports, or perhaps education or charities you would choose the house most suited to you."

Along with the activities provided by the Rec Center and the Greek system, there are other clubs based on different interests.

"There are so many different clubs," said Robert Walters, assistant director for student life and activities. "The nearly 400 clubs on campus relate to so many different things".

There are clubs that deal with sports, religion, ethnic and special interests.

On Sept. 16, a club carnival will be held. More than 100 clubs will set up displays to advertise to incoming students. The carnival will be held inside the University Union Plaza.

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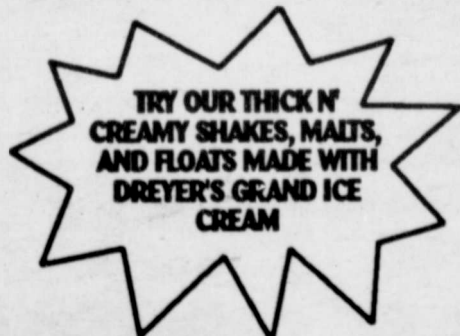
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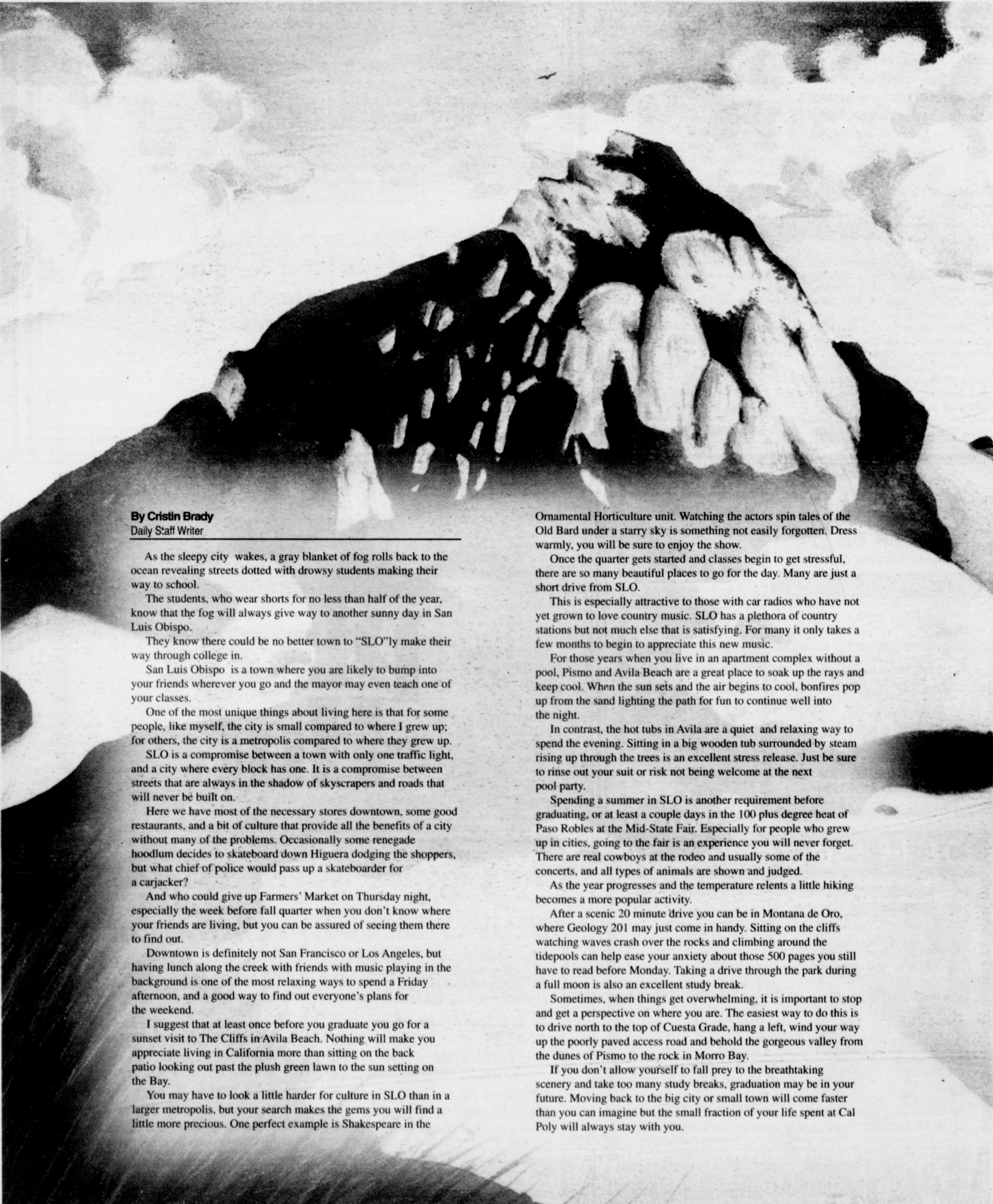
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# The SLO Adventure



**By Cristin Brady**  
Daily Staff Writer

As the sleepy city wakes, a gray blanket of fog rolls back to the ocean revealing streets dotted with drowsy students making their way to school.

The students, who wear shorts for no less than half of the year, know that the fog will always give way to another sunny day in San Luis Obispo.

They know there could be no better town to "SLO"ly make their way through college in.

San Luis Obispo is a town where you are likely to bump into your friends wherever you go and the mayor may even teach one of your classes.

One of the most unique things about living here is that for some people, like myself, the city is small compared to where I grew up; for others, the city is a metropolis compared to where they grew up.

SLO is a compromise between a town with only one traffic light, and a city where every block has one. It is a compromise between streets that are always in the shadow of skyscrapers and roads that will never be built on.

Here we have most of the necessary stores downtown, some good restaurants, and a bit of culture that provide all the benefits of a city without many of the problems. Occasionally some renegade hoodlum decides to skateboard down Higuera dodging the shoppers, but what chief of police would pass up a skateboarder for a carjacker?

And who could give up Farmers' Market on Thursday night, especially the week before fall quarter when you don't know where your friends are living, but you can be assured of seeing them there to find out.

Downtown is definitely not San Francisco or Los Angeles, but having lunch along the creek with friends with music playing in the background is one of the most relaxing ways to spend a Friday afternoon, and a good way to find out everyone's plans for the weekend.

I suggest that at least once before you graduate you go for a sunset visit to The Cliffs in Avila Beach. Nothing will make you appreciate living in California more than sitting on the back patio looking out past the plush green lawn to the sun setting on the Bay.

You may have to look a little harder for culture in SLO than in a larger metropolis, but your search makes the gems you will find a little more precious. One perfect example is Shakespeare in the

Ornamental Horticulture unit. Watching the actors spin tales of the Old Bard under a starry sky is something not easily forgotten. Dress warmly, you will be sure to enjoy the show.

Once the quarter gets started and classes begin to get stressful, there are so many beautiful places to go for the day. Many are just a short drive from SLO.

This is especially attractive to those with car radios who have not yet grown to love country music. SLO has a plethora of country stations but not much else that is satisfying. For many it only takes a few months to begin to appreciate this new music.

For those years when you live in an apartment complex without a pool, Pismo and Avila Beach are a great place to soak up the rays and keep cool. When the sun sets and the air begins to cool, bonfires pop up from the sand lighting the path for fun to continue well into the night.

In contrast, the hot tubs in Avila are a quiet and relaxing way to spend the evening. Sitting in a big wooden tub surrounded by steam rising up through the trees is an excellent stress release. Just be sure to rinse out your suit or risk not being welcome at the next pool party.

Spending a summer in SLO is another requirement before graduating, or at least a couple days in the 100 plus degree heat of Paso Robles at the Mid-State Fair. Especially for people who grew up in cities, going to the fair is an experience you will never forget. There are real cowboys at the rodeo and usually some of the concerts, and all types of animals are shown and judged.

As the year progresses and the temperature relents a little hiking becomes a more popular activity.

After a scenic 20 minute drive you can be in Montana de Oro, where Geology 201 may just come in handy. Sitting on the cliffs watching waves crash over the rocks and climbing around the tidepools can help ease your anxiety about those 500 pages you still have to read before Monday. Taking a drive through the park during a full moon is also an excellent study break.

Sometimes, when things get overwhelming, it is important to stop and get a perspective on where you are. The easiest way to do this is to drive north to the top of Cuesta Grade, hang a left, wind your way up the poorly paved access road and behold the gorgeous valley from the dunes of Pismo to the rock in Morro Bay.

If you don't allow yourself to fall prey to the breathtaking scenery and take too many study breaks, graduation may be in your future. Moving back to the big city or small town will come faster than you can imagine but the small fraction of your life spent at Cal Poly will always stay with you.